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GRAVE THREAT TO HANKOW.

SUCCESSFUL THRUSTS BY NORTHERNERS.

COMMUNIST COMMANDER STEALS \$600,000.

SWATOW MENACE REMOVED

A serious threat to Hankow has developed by reason of two successful thrusts by the Fengtien troops, one being down the Han River, where they have seized much ammunition and money being supplied to Marshal Feng Yu-hsiang, and the other being an advance to the Hupei border where they have blown up a railway bridge. A severe battle is in progress between Northerners and Nationalists.

The Canton North River expedition is advancing successfully, attacking the "Reds" from two directions and preventing their escape into Kiangsi and Hunan. It is reported that the "Red" Commander before he left Shikwan made a levy of \$600,000.

Reinforcements are arriving at Swatow, thus easing the situation there. An advance against the Communists who were threatening the port is contemplated.

In connexion with the Nationalist "split" it is stated that anti-Communist propagandists are being sent from Shanghai to Hankow.

SOUTH SHORT OF AMMUNITION.

Hankow, May 8.

Northern forces advancing unexpectedly down the Han River towards Hankow intercepted a huge quantity of ammunition which had been shipped by the Russian element at Hankow to Marshal Feng Yu-hsiang. Envoys were also carrying a large amount of money, which has also been seized by the Northerners.

The ammunition and financial aid had been sent in order that Feng Yu-hsiang might harass the Fengtien flank, but the non-arrival has prevented Marshal Feng from moving.

The Northerners advancing down the Han River have now reached Suichow, with little resistance.

A further threat to Hankow is offered by the advance of Fengtien troops to the Hupei border. They have blown up a railway bridge.

It is reported that a severe battle is now in progress between the Fengtien and the Nationalist forces under Gen. Tang Seng-chi. —*Naval Wireless.*

FAIL OF SHIKWAN.

Canton Force Advances.

Canton, May 8.
Shikwan is completely under the control of the Government forces.

The Kwangsi troops arrived at the Shikwan railway station on the morning of May 6, and disarmed and disbanded the Hunanese troops there, after a brief engagement with them.

Subsequently they entered the city the same afternoon.

General Chien Ta-chun, the Field Marshal of the North River campaign, arrived at Shikwan yesterday morning, and General Chien's field headquarters was also moved to Shikwan from Yingtak.

Victorious Commander's Cable.

General Chien sent a telegram to Canton yesterday morning reporting the capture of Shikwan. The telegram reads: "Our vanguards recaptured Shikwan on the 6th. In the morning. The field headquarters has also been moved into that city. At present our forces are chasing the retreating enemy by two different directions. One will advance toward Namyang to clear the enemy on the Kiangsi borders. The other will march on Pinghshek and Lokchong to attack the enemy now attempting to retreat into Hunan."

General Chien Ta-chun has given orders to the Village Volunteers and gendarmes in the North River district requesting them to give their best attention to the defence of the railway line between Canton and Shikwan, while the Government forces are continuing the anti-"Red" expedition from the latter place.

Retreating General's Loot.

According to a report from the Kwangsi commander who first entered Shikwan, 500 files were captured and 300 Hunanese troops were taken prisoner.

General Chen Ka-yau, chief of the rebellious army, retreated with his remnants to Lokchong, but before he left the city he robbed the Central Bank there of \$500,000, and succeeded in compelling the Chamber of Commerce in Shikwan to pay him \$100,000. —*Naval Wireless.*

SWATOW MORE AT EASE.

Anti-"Red" Reinforcements.

Swatow, May 8.
Reinforcements are now on their way to Swatow to relieve the Communist threat, and yesterday the s.s. Yuanfeng, seized a few days ago for service as a troopship, arrived from Amoy with at least six hundred troops on board.

Military operations will be carried out against the "Reds" shortly, and meanwhile the tension at Swatow has eased considerably. —*Naval Wireless.*

SHANGHAI PROPAGANDA.

Agents Going to Hankow.

Shanghai, May 8.
It is planned, according to information now available, to send agents from Shanghai to Hankow with the object of instigating an extensive anti-Communist propaganda campaign.

The situation at Shanghai is unchanged. —*Naval Wireless.*

TROOP MOVEMENTS.

Exodus from Wuhu.

Wuhu, May 8.
The remaining troops are leaving in batches for an unknown destination.

Very few soldiers are now left at Wuhu. —*Naval Wireless.*

SHORT OF AMMUNITION.

Southerners' Quiet at Nanking.

Nanking, May 8.
The almost total cessation of hostilities in this region is reported to be due to the fact that the Southerners are running short of ammunition.

There was a certain amount of gunfire from the North bank to-day but it was directed mainly at the empty Chinese river steamers Pinghshek and Lokchong to attack the enemy now attempting to retreat into Hunan. —*British Wireless.*

No Change at Chinkiang.

Chinkiang, May 8.
The Silver Island guns engaged the shore batteries on the North bank for a considerable period yesterday, and a few rounds were exchanged to-day.

The local situation is unchanged. —*Naval Wireless.*

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KUOMINTANG SLIP.

WAR THE REASON FOR DECLINE.

HOW CHIANG WAS FOILED.

In the course of an article to the N. C. Daily News, Mr. George E. Sokolsky says:

Just a year ago, full of enthusiasm for a great cause, I visited Canton to find a real Government in China. At that time, those who called themselves a Nationalist Government were, as a matter of fact, governing a small area consisting of most of the province of Kwangtung, a bit of the Fukien-Kwangtung border and a hinterland in the ungovernable province of Kwangsi. They were doing very well, remarkably well at this job, not of course, by the western standards of governmental efficiency, but in comparison with other political agencies in China. I arrived in Canton at the moment of intensest optimism there. Men were working hard at their jobs. The municipal organization was flourishing under Dr. C. C. Wu, Mr. T. V. Soong had at last brought his financial organization into something like unification, so that, when funds were collected, they were received by the Government and were recorded in Governmental accounts which were to a larger extent public than anywhere else in China. As to the Kuomintang, it was in excellent shape. General Chiang Kai-shek had joined with the Kuomintang leaders to oust the Communist Party.

There was hope that the imbroglio with Hongkong might shortly be settled amicably and that when that settlement had taken place, a tremendous economic boom would make Kwangtung, as it really should be, the richest, if not the greatest province in China. One talked of railway developments, harbour improvements, roads everywhere in the province, popular education for labourers and peasants, health campaigns. And these things, at the moment, seemed in the bounds of practicability, for Kwangtung was producing nearly six millions a month in taxation and, if the strike and boycott were over, the British in Hongkong would undoubtedly have been more ready to throw good money into the province in the hope of bringing out better. Every day at till in the Nanti Club, I listened to plans and schemes, all of which any banker or engineer would have approved and could have carried through with the necessary effort.

The Picket Menace.
But there was the proletariat, the armed pickets who had been used by the Canton Government to fight Hongkong and who now were unwilling to be discarded. There were the Left Wing Kuomintang minority who although Communists disliked the odium of treachery to those who had given them money and arms and munitions and advisors to pacify Kwangtung Province and to defeat their enemies. There was the personality of Borodin, travelling in the territory of Marshal Feng Yu-hsiang in the company, if I remember rightly, of Mr. George Hsu Chien, Christian turned Communist, and Mr. Eugene Chen, released from imprisonment by Marshal Feng Yu-hsiang. Constantly when I heard of the wonderful events which were to happen in May at the Plenary Session of the Central Executive Committee did I ask my friends, what the other side was going to do, and constantly did I receive assurances that as long as the military were willing to subordinate themselves to the Kuomintang, so long would the Communists remain helpless. Then arose the question as to the personality of General Chiang Kai-shek, his sincerity, his motives, his ability.

At that moment, there was already a startling difference of opinion between that group which I like to call the administrators in the Kuomintang and General Chiang Kai-shek, but they did not know it. They were operating administratively and politically on the assumption that he was fully with them, but they did not know that his heart was entirely fixed on the northern expedition and that he would make any sacrifices to achieve an outstanding military victory.

Had I known then that Borodin would shortly reappear and would offer twenty thousand rifles and a

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AN UNSATISFACTORY WITNESS.

MAN COMMITTED THEN RELEASED.

MAGISTRATE'S REPRIMAND.

The Chinese who was last week committed for trial at the next Criminal Sessions for possession of a forged \$500 note, was brought before Mr. R. E. Lindsell again, this morning, his case having been re-opened by the Magistrate's order as a result of certain information given to his Worship by Sub-Inspector Shaftain.

Chan Sau-fung, a Chinese reporter who gave evidence at a previous hearing, was recalled. He was asked many questions regarding his friendship with defendant. He denied having met the man in Macao, denied that he knew his address in Hongkong, and also denied that he knew certain men whom the Magistrate named.

Knew Two Address.

Witness was asked how he knew defendant's address, and he said that he found out defendant's address from some of his friends. His Worship asked why witness

HUSAR'S SENTENCE.

SHANGHAI ATTORNEY SENT TO GAOL.

Shanghai, May 9.

Leonard G. Husar, former U.S. District Attorney at Shanghai, who was found guilty on Saturday of accepting a bribe of \$2,000, was today sentenced to two years' imprisonment in the United States' penitentiary on McNeill's Island, Washington. He was also fined \$3,000 (Gold).

Heath, who was charged in connexion with the affairs, was sentenced to 18 months' and fined \$1,000 (Gold). —*Reuter.*

did not bring Inspector Shaftain direct to the defendant's address on the day he and the Inspector went to look for the defendant, and the reply was that he was not sure of the address.

Mr. Lindsell pointed out that he took the Inspector first to a house in Nathan Road and then to No. 116 Shanghai Street. If he had not known defendant very well how could he bring the Inspector to these two addresses where the defendant was known?

The defendant's answers to these questions were unsatisfactory, and his Worship remarked that the man was obviously lying.

Defendant Discharged.

His Worship discharged the defendant, and stated that he did so purely because he thought the prosecution's evidence must be discredited. No jury would convict on such evidence. On that ground alone he discharged the case, as he believed the defendant did possess the note but did not have access to an unlimited supply as the reporter had stated.

Before the Court adjourned Mr. Lindsell severely reprimanded the Chinese reporter, and stated that he was fortunate there was not sufficient evidence to convict him of perjury.

LIBERTY BONDS RECALLED.

SECOND ISSUE TO BE PAID UP.

Washington, May 8.
The Treasury on May 9 will call in outstanding bonds of the Second Liberty Loan, amounting to \$1,700,000,000.

Payment will be made on November 15, the tenth anniversary of the issue, after which the bonds will not bear interest, but probably the Treasury will offer an opportunity to exchange the bonds for other Government securities. —*Reuter's American Service.*

MOSCOW'S POLICY.

PETER THE GREAT AND DR. SUN.

LAST WILL THAT URGES WAR.

The expression, "According to the Last Will and Testament" has become very familiar in China recently, and in the reports of recent speeches delivered in China, it appears the custom to invoke the "shades" of Dr. Sun in every speech.

One wonders where the idea of the last Will and Testament came to possess its magic power, and who taught its use. A suggestion which might offer a solution is that Dr. Sun was assisted in his later years by some high advisors who were under the influence of a "Will" by a "Father of His Country," and knew its power and adaptability.

The Last Will and Testament of Peter the Great, who died in 1725, laid down policies which are being followed to the present day, and have exerted a force to be reckoned with by each succeeding generation. As these policies concern us they should be understood, especially by those living in the East, where their working involves our business, homes, and perhaps life itself.

Article Nine of the famous Will enjoins the following policy:

"To take every possible means of gaining Constantinople and the Indies (for he who rules there will be the true sovereign of the world); excite war continually in Turkey and Persia; establish fortresses in the Black Sea; get control of the sea by degrees, and also of the Baltic, which is a double point, necessary to the realization of our project; accelerate as much as possible the decay of Persia; penetrate to the Persian Gulf; re-establish, if possible, by way of Syria, the ancient commerce of the Levant; advance to the Indies, which are the great depot of the world. Once there, we can do without the gold of England."

The Eleventh Article reads: "Interest the House of Austria in the expulsion of the Turks from Europe, and quiet their dissensions at the moment of the conquest of Constantinople (having excited war among the old States of Europe), by giving to Austria a portion of the conquest, which afterward will or can be reclaimed."

Russia's Policy.

How fully this policy is being followed by Russia and her rulers is shown by history. In 1696, Peter the Great took the Sea of Azov from the Turks. Catherine the Great won the Crimea. In 1812 Alexander I obtained Moldavia and Bessarabia. Since 1870 the Black Sea has been practically a Russian lake and to-day no one can dispute their claim to be its guardians. More recent history, which is in the memory of all, reveals the same plan. The manner may be different, but the object is the same.

"Russian anti-Bolshevik editors charge that the Soviet Government has been working on a series of treaties with Eastern and Near Eastern countries, aiming to detach them from the League of Nations and involve them in the political orbit of Moscow. The first of these treaties, it seems, was concluded between Soviet Russia and Turkey in December, 1925." Further treaties have been negotiated with Afghanistan, Persia, Mongolia, and Japan. Trotsky, in his May Day speech of 1924, is reported to have said: "We are going to help the Eastern peoples to shake off the yoke of foreign domination." Evidently there is still room for more in the Union of Socialist Soviet Republics. Evidently this effort to consolidate the Asiatic nations and the pretext to aid the down-trodden of the earth in their struggle for self-determination is to be used to yield some substantial puddings.

A Will is a good thing. In the Telegraph of May 3rd the will of Dr. Sun is referred to in the Nanking Edict as follows: "It is hoped that the revolution of the people will follow the principles laid down by Dr. Sun, in order to enable China to become an independent nation, and the Chinese to become a free people possessing a government, for the people, of the people and by the people." (Continued on Page 14.)

CONSECRATION OF BISHOP WALSH.

HOLY ISLAND AS SCENE OF PILGRIMAGE.

EXCURSION FROM HONGKONG

The consecration of Monsignor James Edward Walsh, the Bishop-elect of Hongkong, is to take place on Sunday, May 22, and in connexion with this event a special excursion has been arranged to Sancian Island (Saint John's Island), which will be for Catholics in the nature of a pilgrimage, for the island is sacred to the memory of the great Christian missionary to the Far East, Saint Francis Xavier. For this reason, it has been chosen as the venue for the ceremony.

The Catholic Bishops of Macao, Canton and Hongkong will officiate, and the Maryknoll Hongmoon Mission specially invites the Catholics here to take part in the pilgrimage to the island.

It is interesting to recall the days of Saint Francis Xavier, who on Sancian Island planned the conversion of the Chinese people to Christianity. He arrived there in 1552, but died in the same year, on December 2, when endeavouring to reach Canton. His remains were buried where the memorial chapel now stands, and this shrine is the chief object of the projected pilgrimage. It will be recalled that the Saint's body was discovered, two months after his death, preserved from corruption. It was removed for final interment by the Portuguese to Goa, on the coast of India.

The Sancian Island consecration on May 22 will have several historic features connected with it—apart from the memories associated with the spot, there is the added interest of Monsignor Walsh being the first American bishop to be consecrated in China.

Passage to and from Sancian has been arranged for the occasion by the s.s. Kinshan, which will leave Hongkong on Saturday evening, May 21, at 9 o'clock, and depart from Sancian Island at 3 o'clock the following (Sunday) afternoon, arriving back here about 10 o'clock the same night.

JAPANESE RELIEF BILLS.

FINANCIAL MEASURES PASSED.

Tokyo, May 8.
The Upper House has passed the Financial Relief Bills unanimously, after which the special session adjourned.

The formal closing ceremony will be to-morrow. —*Reuter.*

Bank of Taiwan to Re-open.

Tokyo, May 9.
As a result of the passage of the Relief Bills all the branches of the Bank of Taiwan were ordered to re-open to-day. —*Reuter.*

NEW GOVERNORS.

FOR SEYCHELLES AND N. RHODESIA.

London, May 8.

Sir Malcolm Stevenson has been appointed Governor of the Seychelles, and Sir James Crawford Maxwell Governor of North Rhodesia. —*Reuter.*

[Sir Malcolm Stevenson, K.C. M.G., has been Governor and Commander-in-Chief of Cyprus since 1925, and is 49 years of age. Sir James Crawford Maxwell, K.B.E., has been Colonial Secretary, Gold Coast, and formerly served at Sierra Leone and Nigeria. He is 58 years of age.]

DE PINEDO RESUMES.

NEW MACHINE FROM ITALY.

New York, May 8.

De Pinedo has resumed his flight round the United States (which he had to stop on April 6 owing to the wrecking of his machine) this time on a new aeroplane sent from Italy. —*Reuter's American Service.*

FATHER'S MONEY.

LEADS TO HIS SONS' DISSENSIONS.

TO-DAY'S COURT CASE.

Dissension among sixteen sons of a wealthy Chinese, who died in Macao in 1907, over property in which their father had invested under other people's names resulted in an action in the Supreme Court this morning, before Mr. J. R. Wood, acting Chief Justice.

The case referred to a mortgage of \$400,000 on property in February, 1925, when the plaintiffs alleged they were under age and asked that the mortgage be made null and void as far as they were concerned. They also alleged that they have not benefited from it. The defence say that at all material times the plaintiffs were of age, and that therefore the mortgage can stand.

Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C., together with Mr. H. G. Sheldon, instructed by Mr. D. L. Strellett is appearing for the plaintiffs, and Mr. F. C. Jenkin, instructed by Mr. G. N. Jenkin is defending.

The plaintiffs were Loo Kwong-lam and Loo Kwong-hin, the latter formerly an infant but now of age, and the defendants Li Koon-chun and Kan Tong-po. The plaintiffs' application was that a mortgage dated February 10th, 1925, between themselves and Loo Kwong-lam, Loo Kwong-to, Loo Kwong-wo, and Loo Kwong-wai of the one part and the defendants of the other, in respect of property in Hongkong known as Nos. 62a, 64, 66, and 68 Queen's Road Central, and Nos. 19 and 21 Stanley Street be set aside.

The grounds for the application were that the plaintiffs were infants at the date of the execution, and, being infants, were not independently advised with regard to the transaction. Further, that the transaction of which the mortgage formed a part was not for the benefit of the plaintiffs.

They also applied for an injunction to restrain the defendants, their servants or agents from selling, or otherwise dealing with the property, and such further relief that the court might think fit. They also claimed their costs.

Property Mortgaged.

In opening his case, Mr. Potter said the transaction was one by which the plaintiffs, with four other persons, mortgaged certain property to the defendants on February 10th, 1925, for \$400,000. As his Lordship knew, there were many cases in the English Courts in which infants relied on the Law of Infancy to avoid meeting what one might consider just liabilities under certain pretences. He would submit, however, that there was no such intention in the case in question.

It was a case in which the infants took part in a transaction for the purpose of borrowing money, not for their own pockets, but to be paid out to others. His Lordship would be told in great detail, later, how much the infants got out of it. There were two mortgages put through, one for four lakhs, and another for \$100,000, but of that the sum actually received by the first plaintiff was \$4,000, and by the second \$5,000. That was all out of five lakhs of dollars.

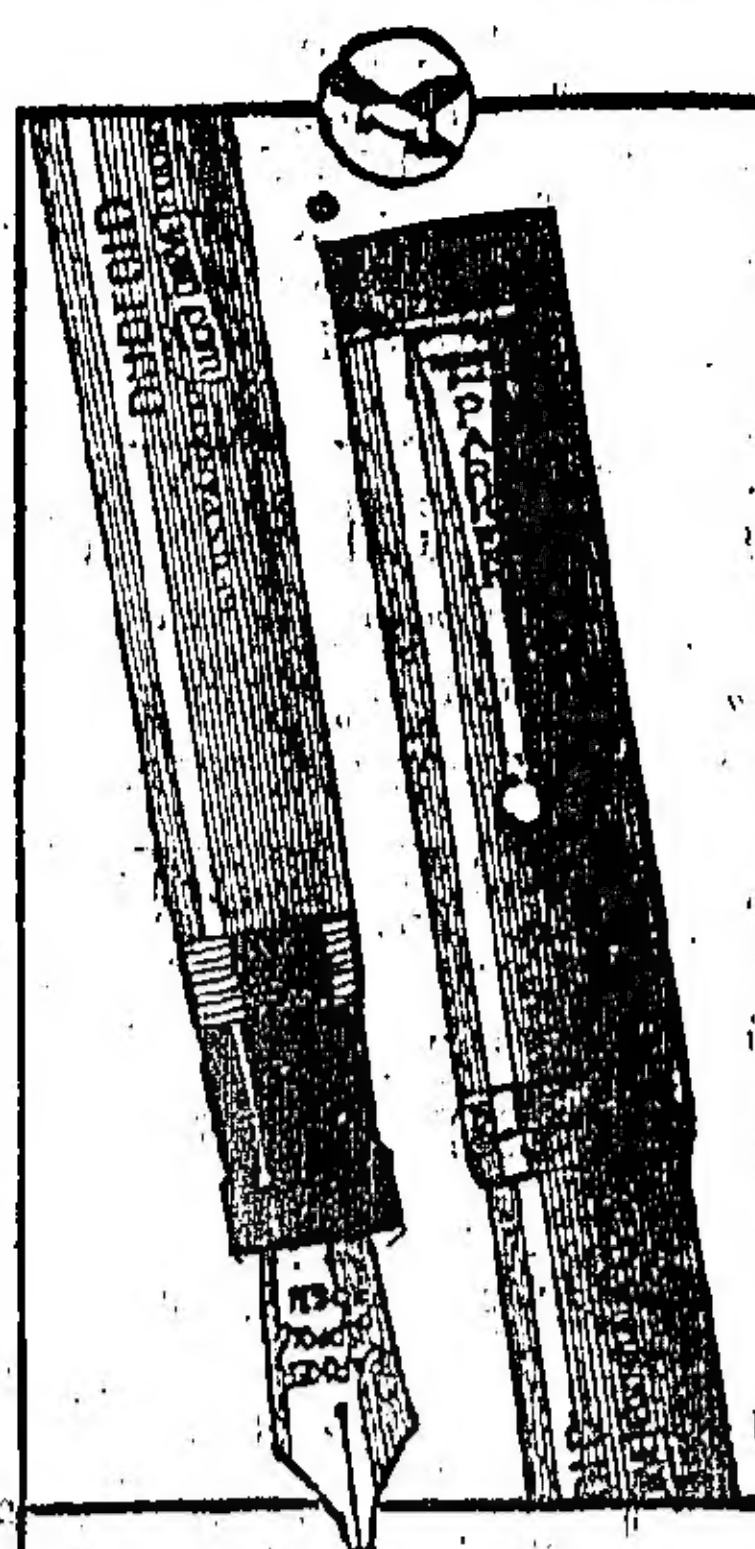
In reply to His Lordship, Mr. Potter said he would not be troubled particularly with the second mortgage, which had an historical connexion with the present case. The mortgage was not the same but the mortgagor was.

Money Invested.

Mr. Potter continued to deal with family history, telling of the events which led up to the present action. On December 15th, 1907, he said, a man named Lo Kau died in Macao. He was a man of considerable wealth, and during his life time he had adopted the not uncommon Chinese practice of investing a considerable amount of money in property in the names of other people. That was a procedure which had caused trouble in Chinese families before now, and in the present case it was undoubtedly the direct cause of the action.

Lo Kau had a *lit* fat wife and nine concubines, and altogether he had 16 sons. The only names His Lordship needed to remember at the moment were Lo Ling-yuk, the oldest, aged 24 when his father died, and the two plaintiffs. The first plaintiff was born on April 25th, 1904, and the second on

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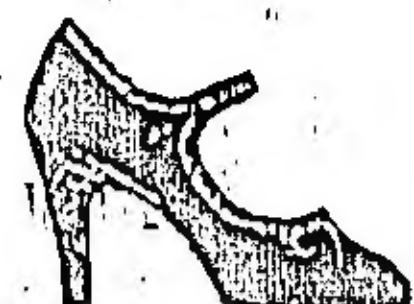
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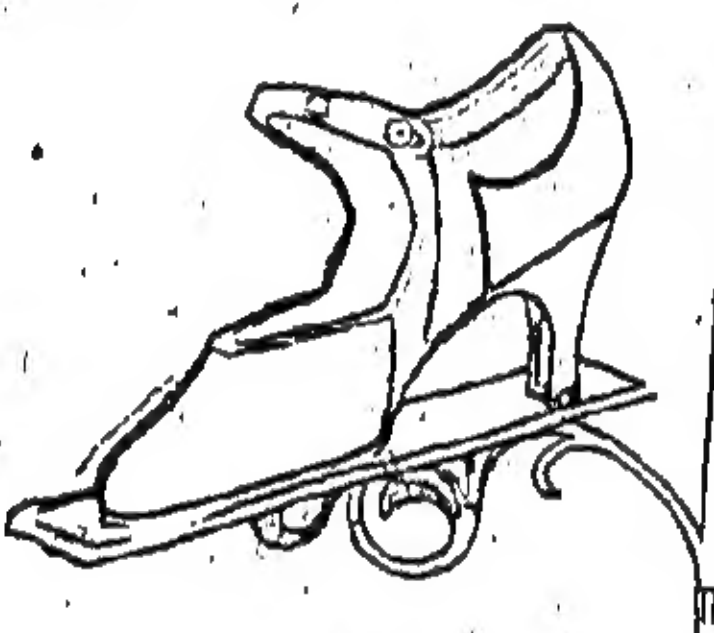
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CHINA CRISIS.

THE WEEK-END NEWS.

Kiukiang, May 7.
A report made by the 15th Division, who have now returned, is to the effect that they have disarmed and disbanded the 27th Division at Anhwei.

A movement of the 16th Division, crossing from the North Bank, is reported to have taken place on Friday.—*Naval Wireless.*

No Confirmation.

Shanghai, May 7.
Nothing of importance has developed in Shanghai or adjacent. There is as yet no confirmation of the capture of Yangchow by the Southern troops.

Desultory Gunfire.

Nanking, May 7.
Except for desultory gunfire from the river bank yesterday, there is nothing to report.—*Naval Wireless.*

Feng Falls His Friends.

Peking, May 8.
Apparently serious fighting is going on at Chumien, between the Fengtien and Hankow forces. Tang Seng-chi is at the front personally directing operations. There have been considerable casualties on both sides.

The Southern plan that Feng Yu-hsiang should intervene at this juncture and threaten the Fengtien flank appears to have failed, owing to the Fengtien interception of a huge quantity of ammunition which was being sent up the Han River to Feng Yu-hsiang in Western-Honan. Hence Feng has not moved.—*Reuter.*

Anti-Foreign Posters.

Wuhu, May 7.
The question of the removal of anti-foreign posters from Concession properties was discussed at a meeting with the Commissioner for Foreign Affairs on Thursday. Arrangements for this will be carried out immediately.—*Naval Wireless.*

Hankow, May 7.

Conditions remain unchanged.—*Naval Wireless.*

No Longer Needed.

The Hague, May 8.
The Sumatra was ordered to leave Shanghai after consultation with the Dutch authorities in China, who express the opinion that Dutch Nationals there no longer require the Sumatra's protection.—*Reuter.*

Britain's Patience.

London, May 7.
In the course of a speech at a dinner in London, the Rt. Hon. Sir Joseph Cook (ex-High Commissioner for Australia) hoped that Britain was going to keep a stern upper lip in regard to China. "Conciliatory and ameliorating as our attitude ought to be," he said, "nevertheless there should be behind it all the force and firmness of British character. I do not see that we can win through unless that British character asserts itself and maintains the right and privilege of protecting its citizens wherever they may be engaged in legitimate enterprise."

The Limit Reached.

Sir Francis Aglen, speaking at another dinner, said that we had pursued the policy of patience and conciliation in our relations with China to the limit. "We had submitted to affronts and humiliation unparalleled in our history with the most exemplary patience and restraint, yet our relations with China were deplorable. He was of opinion that the reason was that the foreign policy of the Nationalist party was directed by those whose immediate interest it was to do as much damage as possible to Britain."

There were signs of a reaction against this and he believed that we would soon see a change for the better, but he was confident that until the Chinese took their own foreign policy in their own hands there be no real improvement.—*Reuter.*

ECONOMIC CONFERENCE.

THE SOVIET'S POLICY.

Geneva, May 8.
The Soviet spokesman, Sokolnikoff, declared the Soviets were ready to co-operate with capitalist countries. The policy of the Soviets was to encourage productive investments. "The task of reconstruction was difficult, but they were assured of success."

The Soviet delegate Osminski urged the Bolshevik system as the panacea for all the economic ills of the world. He recommended *inter alia*, cancellation of all war debts, fullest liberty for trade unions, abolition of all barriers against emigration, cancellation of all systems of protectorates and mandates, suspension of the Powers' "intervention" in China in order to allow China to work out her own evolution.

M. Joubaux declared the Soviet delegates' speeches showed that the Soviets had abandoned their revolutionary policy; therefore co-operation with the Soviets was possible.—*Reuter.*

Vice Presidents.
Prior to adjourning, the Economic Conference elected by acclamation eleven vice presidents, including Sir Arthur Balfour (Britain), Mr. Henry Robinson (America), Mr. Shidachi (Japan), Mr. Osminski (Soviet).

It also elected Herr Collijn (Netherlands), M. Hodac (Czechoslovakia), M. Franz (Yugoslavia) as chairman of the three main committees on Commerce, Industry and Agriculture, respectively.—*Reuter.*

PANAMA ANNOYED.

AFFAIR OF AN ALLEGED RUM-RUNNER.

Washington, May 8.
The Minister for Panama, has delivered a note to the State Department protesting against the "offensive" statement of the United States Treasury Department in the America-Panama correspondence with regard to the alleged rum-runner Federal Ship which is mainly of Canadian ownership but under Panama registry.

The vessel was seized two hundred miles off the Californian coast on March 2 and brought to San Francisco. She was released last week after the decision of the Federal Court that the seizure was illegal.

Panama objects to the statement that the Panamanian Government had "ample time" before the Federal Ship was seized to apply the Panamanian law depriving smuggling craft of Panama registry, but the Minister stated proceedings had been begun to annul the vessel's registry.—*Reuter's American Service.*

Bishop of London's Views.

London, May 8.
The Bishop of London has arrived in London on the completion of his world tour. He received a great welcome from a large crowd. In an interview his lordship said he was more than ever convinced that the only hope of a better world was the progress of Christianity. A striking practical example of Christian influences in Japan was the care now being taken of lepers.

The Bishop approved of the Government's policy in China and said he was convinced that the Singapore Base was necessary to keep the Empire together. He had not found the Japanese upset thereat.

Referring to the Chinese and Malays under British rule in the Malay States and Straits, the Bishop pointed out that they were more prosperous than their compatriots who were not under British rule. He thought that was sufficient answer to the charge that the British robbed these races of their land and exploited them.—*Reuter.*

NICARAGUA.

THE CIVIL WAR ENDED.

Washington, May 7.
The State Department announces that a truce was concluded until May 7 between the Liberal and Conservative factions in Nicaragua in order to permit General Moncada to persuade his troops to lay down their arms.

No mention is made of any threat to employ United States marines to disarm the Liberals if they refuse to surrender their weapons.—*Reuter's American Service.*

Terms of Settlement.

Washington, May 7.
The civil war in Nicaragua is now ended, and it will be possible to undertake the passing in June, according to a communication from Mr. Stimson to the State Department, of the settlement proposal. This contemplates a general amnesty and a Presidential election supervised by United States officers, pending which both factions will be represented in President Diaz's Cabinet.

The native constabulary will be organised under United States officers.

Meantime President Diaz wishes a sufficient force of American Marines to maintain order.—*Reuter's American Service.*

JAPANESE POLITICS.

RESPONSIBILITY FOR FINANCIAL CRISIS.

Tokyo, May 7.
The Lower House has passed a resolution by a small majority of 210 votes to 194 holding the Privy Council responsible for causing the crisis by vetoing Mr. Wakatsuki's Government's proposals of April 17.

No such action against the Privy Council has ever before been carried out by the Diet.—*Reuter.*

Tokyo, May 8.

The Lower House has passed the Financial Relief Bills with an amendment to the effect that aid be given not only to banks which have already re-opened but also to banks which are still suspended, provided the prospects of their recovery are reasonably good.

For this purpose an Imperial Ordinance will be issued appointing special Commission to investigate.—*Reuter.*

LUCKY ESCAPE.

PHILIPPINES GOVERNOR IN MOTOR ACCIDENT.

Manila, May 8.
Governor General Wood barely escaped serious injury at 3.30 this afternoon when the steering gear of the car in which he was returning from Baguio to Manila broke. The car went into a ditch, over a pile of rocks, and then collided with a native cart.

General Wood, Mrs. Wood and Major Burton Read, the Aide-de-Camp, were badly shaken up but unhurt. A messenger riding with the chauffeur was injured. General Wood transferred to another car and arrived in Manila this evening.—*Reuter.*

NO NEWS OF FRENCH AVIATOR.

ORDERS DISREGARDED.

London, May 7.
Mystery surrounds the fate of the French airman, Captain de Saint Roman, who left St. Louis, near Dakar, on the morning of Thursday, on a non-stop flight to Brazil, discarding his floats, in spite of the French Air Ministry forbidding him to do so.

It is suggested that he may have landed on an isolated spot on the Brazilian coast and that his wireless is out of order.—*Reuter.*

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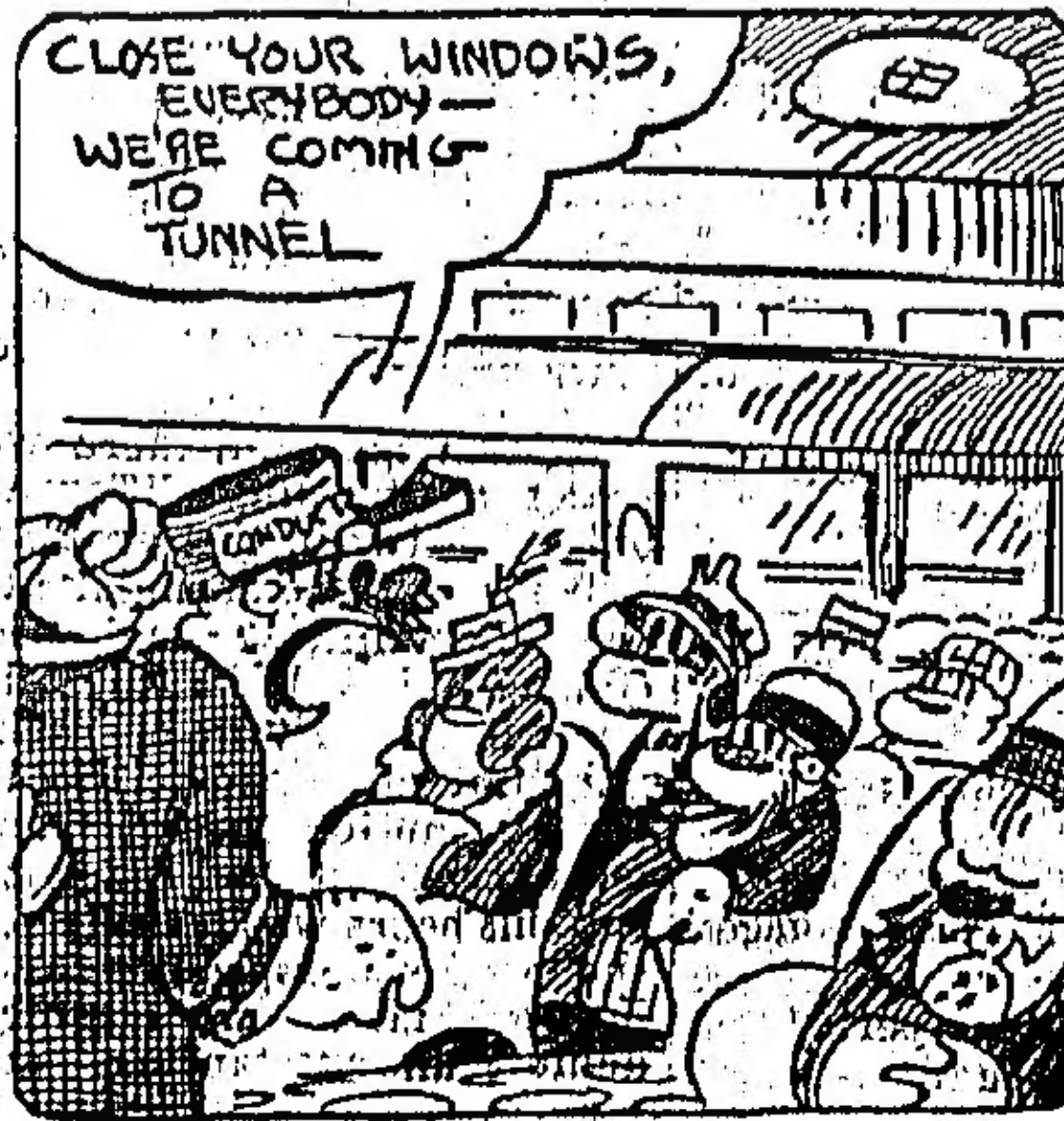
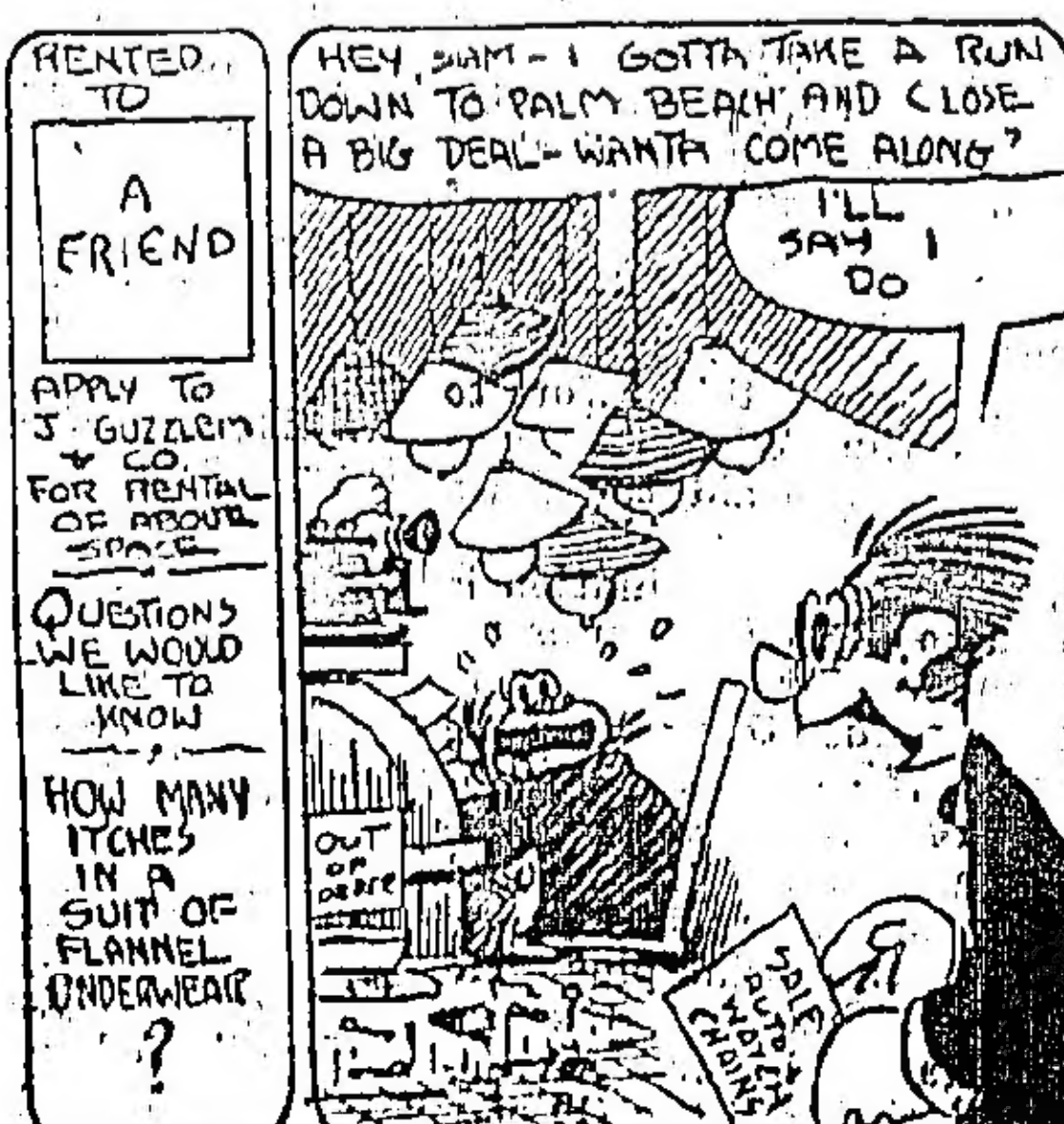


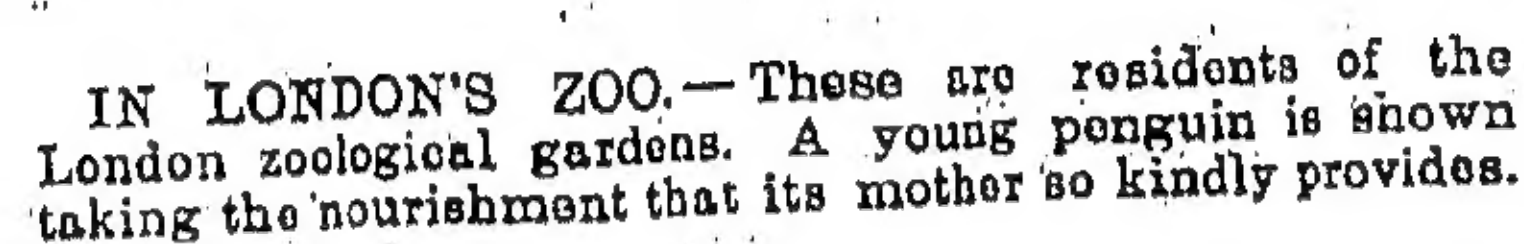
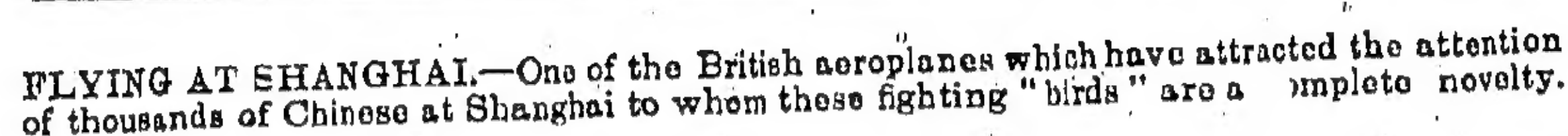
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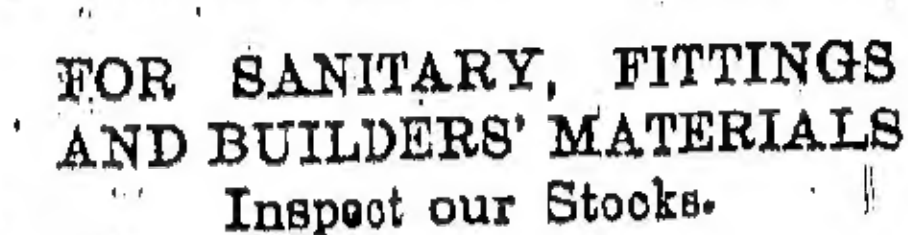
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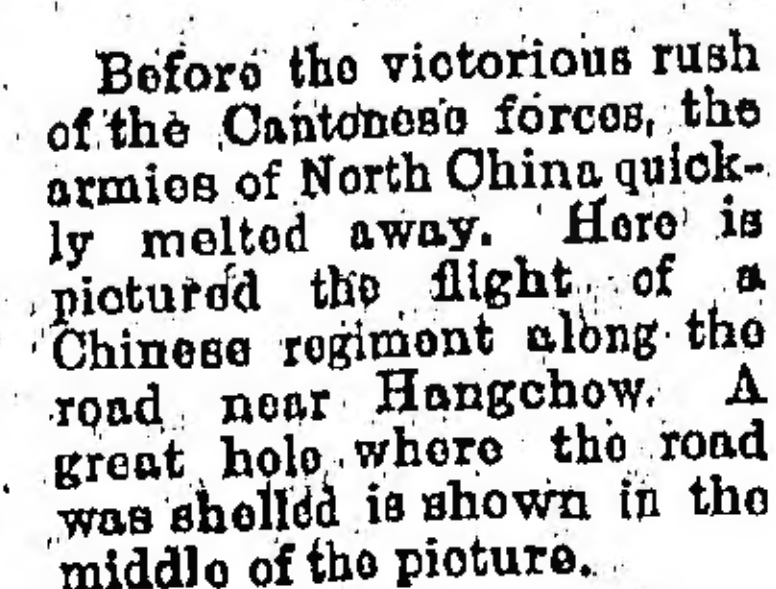
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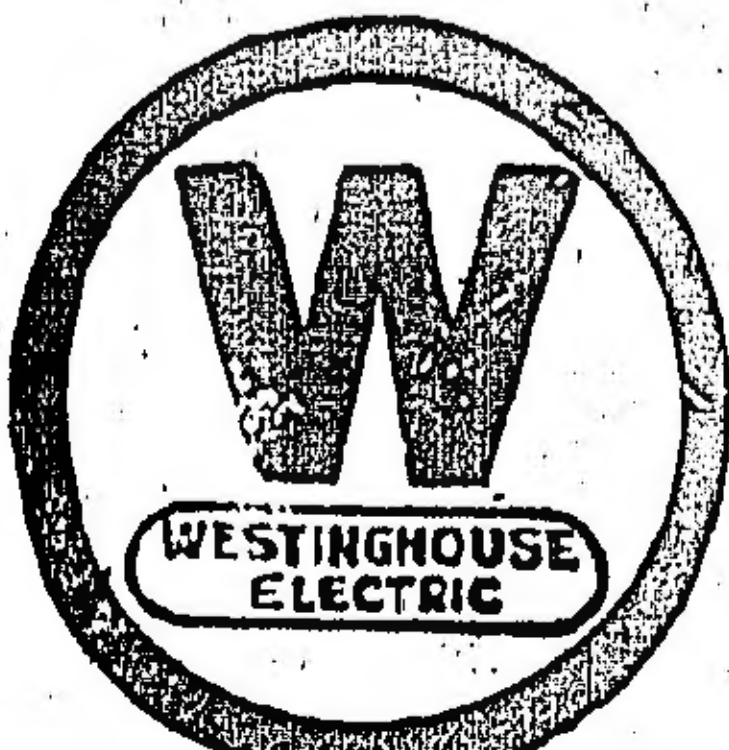
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The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 17th to 21st of May, both days inclusive.

DOUGLAS LARPAIK & CO., General Managers, Hongkong 6th May, 1927.

THE CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

The Forty-sixth Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the undersigned on Tuesday, the 17th May, 1927, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Agents, together with a statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December 1926.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 3rd to the 17th May, 1927, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON AND COMPANY LIMITED, General Agents, Hongkong, 26th April, 1927.

CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN & MORTGAGE CO., LTD.

TO SHAREHOLDERS & OTHERS HOLDING POWERS OF ATTORNEY.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that in pursuance of Article 81 of the Articles of Association all Powers of Attorney under which any shareholder intends to vote on the Poll to be held at the Registered Office of the Company on the 18th INSTANT must be deposited at the Registered Office of the Company not less than FORTY EIGHT hours before the time for holding of such Poll notwithstanding that such Powers of Attorney have already been produced to and noted by the Company.

Dated this 5th day of May, 1927
By Order of the Board,
D. L. KING, Secretary.

NOTICE.

CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN AND MORTGAGE CO., LTD.

NOTICE is hereby given that the THIRTIETH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of Shareholders in the Company will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, "St. George's" Building, Chater Road, Hongkong, on Saturday, May 14th, 1927, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ended December 31st, 1926; to confirm the appointment of Two Directors, and to elect Two Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be closed from WEDNESDAY, 11th MAY, 1927, until WEDNESDAY, 18th MAY, 1927, both days inclusive.

By Order,
of the Board,

D. L. KING, Secretary, Hongkong, May 2, 1927.

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NOTICE OF EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING.

Notice is hereby given that an Extraordinary General Meeting of the above named Company will be held at the Board Room of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. No. 18 Pedder Street, Victoria in the Colony of Hongkong on the 10th day of May next at 12 o'clock noon for considering and, if thought fit, passing the sub-joined Resolution as an Ordinary Resolution.

That this meeting authorises the Directors to pay to the Executor of the late Sir Catchick Paul Chater, C.M.G. the "Managing Director's fees in suspense" shown in the Company's last Balance Sheet, which represent the proportion, calculated up to the date of his death, of the remuneration to which the deceased would have been entitled, if he had survived to the end of the year, under Article No. 95 (B) of the Articles of Association.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

L. S. GREENHILL, Secretary, Hongkong, 2nd May, 1927.

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Morcantile A. & B., £30 n.
Morcantile C., £13 n.
P. and O., £29 s.
East Asia, \$68 n.

Marine Ins.

Canton Ins., \$650 n.
China Underwriters, \$80 n.
North China, Tls. 143 b.
Union Ins., £293 s.
Yankee Ins., \$38 n.

Fire Ins.

China Fire, \$205 b.
Hongkong Fire, \$600 b.

Shipping.

Douglas, \$31 n.
Steamboats, \$22 n.
Tugs, \$110 n.
Indo-China, (Prof.) \$30, n.
Sholl Trans., \$4/- s.
Star Frigate, \$52 b.
Waterboats, \$14 b.

Refineries.

China Sugars, \$18 b.
Malabons, \$31 n.

Mining.

Benguets, \$1.70 b.
Kailans, 38/- b.
Langkats, Tls. 21 n.
Shai Exploration, Tls. 4 n.
Shanghai Loans, Tls. 7 n.
Raubas, \$4 n.
Tronols, 21/- n.
Ural Caspians, 8/- n.

Docks, etc.

Kowloon Wharves, \$98 n.
Whampoa Docks, \$38 n.
Hongkows, Tls. 135 b.
New Engineering, Tls. 43 b.
Shanghai Docks Tls. 102 b.

Lands, Hotels, etc.

H. and S. Hotels, \$7.05 n.
H.K. Lands, \$53 b.
Realty, \$6 n.
Territorials, \$11 n.
Humphreys, \$12 n.
Princes Bldgs, \$89 n.
Rural Lands, \$11 n.

Cottons.

Ewo Cottons, Tls. 7.65 sa.
Orientals, Tls. 1.90 b.
Shai Cottons, Tls. 52 n.
China Buses, Tls. 9 n.
Tramways, \$202 b.
Peak Trams, (old) \$15 n.
Spore Traction 10/6 sa.
Taxis, \$1 n.

Miscellaneous.

Amusements, \$19 b.
Canton Ices, \$5 n.
Cements (Comb.) \$7 n.
China Lights, \$124 b.
China Prov., \$41 b.
Constructions, \$2.30 n.
Dairy Farms, \$15 n.
Der A. Wing, \$6 n.
H'kong Electric, \$512 b.
Macao Electric, \$35 b.
Ropes (Old) \$10 n.
Lane Crawfords, \$7 n.
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Paris, April 1.—The Locarno spirit has won. Yesterday the provisional treaty of commerce between France and Germany was signed, and at the same time the use of the word "boche" in the film theatres was prohibited by the police. The Germans, as usual, have won, since the name by which the German has been known familiarly since 1870 is publicly banned.

"Boche" is defined by Larousse as a derivative of "Alboche," which is supposed to be a corruption of Alledand, and it is defined as a popular nickname for Germans, expressing contempt for everything which is German. It has been suggested that the official derivation is not correct; that it really comes from "caboche," meaning vulgarly "fathead," derived in its turn from the Latin "caput," and that it is to be associated with "tete carrees" (square heads), which has also been a popular designation of the Germans since the war of 1870.

The "tete carrees" were obviously the Brachycephalic, or round-headed men, who came from the Baltic provinces of Germany. Since 1870 much philology has flowed under the bridges, but it will be a surprise to many an Englishman and to many a Frenchman to know that the word "boche" is banned.

KUOMINTANG SLIP.

(Continued from Page 1.)

guaranteed success of the northern expedition in return for the expulsion of the competent men who were seeking peace in Kwangtung and the development of a model province, then there would have been only one conclusion to draw, namely, that militarism would destroy the good work of the Kuomintang, just as militarism has destroyed the administrative gains of Manchuria under Marshal Chang Tso-lin and of Shansi under General Yen Shih-shan.

The Ill-Fated War.

From every standpoint the Northern Expedition was the most sinister move in Kuomintang history. It gave the Communists an opportunity to regain their hold on the Kuomintang. It made the Nationalist Government a Moscow tool. For as the Government became more involved in the frightful expensiveness of the war, the more they required Moscow's assistance. And as Moscow gained in strength, they drove from the Government every person associated with Dr. Sun Yat-sen, except his immediate family.

The success of the war was an inevitability from the commencement. For at the outset, the North was so hopelessly inert and divided that no resistance was shown in Hunan. Marshal Sun Chuan-fang, who well deserves his subsequent defeat by treachery, played a childish game of attempting to out-wit Canton into defeating Marshal Wu Pei-fu so that he might become his former chief's successor. Against such trickery, the Russian-led forces of General Chiang Kai-shek showed a powerful, united front.

The loneliest man at that moment was undoubtedly General Chiang Kai-shek. As his armies won victory after victory, he realized that his influence was waning. When his armies conquered Hupoh, he discovered that the Communists had raised a Tung Sung-cho to divide with him the glories of success. When he sought to establish a Government in Hupoh, he found that his choice for the administrator, Teng Jun-dah, was serving his enemy, the Communists. When he rode from Nanchang to Kiukiang, he saw everywhere banners to the "Revolutionary Tutor," while he was ignored, he the conquering hero. No yellow sand was strewn in his path. No peans of victory were sung to him. Herodias, the conqueror, was the man of the hour. That moment marks the split and the defeat of Nationalism.

The removal of the Government to Wuhan, the destruction of commerce, the continuation of the struggle with Great Britain, the pursuance of a childish foreign policy of winning victories by plausible propaganda, the stoppage of any activities beneficial to the Chinese people, the shambling of Hunan and Hupoh, the destruction of the fiscal system of Hunan, Hupoh, and Kiangsi—these were the accomplishments of the Communist Government of Wu-han, and for these the Kuomintang must assume responsibility because they dared not tell the truth; they dared not admit their defeat by the Communists.

The Kuomintang's Nadir.

And now the Kuomintang are faced with frightful facts and heartbreaking failures. They have won a military victory and have suffered a political defeat. The military victory has thus far only created a new group of Tuchuns. The political defeat has thrown the party back to the period before 1923. They have to reorganize, to purify their ranks, to reevaluate their principles and to regain their reputation.

If the Kuomintang will take one area, no matter how small and make that what Canton seemed to be becoming last May; there is hope. If the Kuomintang continues to spread itself out like a pound of butter over a hundred loaves of bread there is no hope. If the Kuomintang will settle internal questions first and permit foreign relations to settle themselves automatically by the proofs of the success of their venture rather than by appeals to righteousness and justice, they will succeed. If they continue to utilize the mob to fight the foreigners in the hope of thus concentrating the mob into a weapon of service for themselves, they will only create another machine for their own destruction.

Nearly another £1,000 was received last month in response to the Young Men's Christian Association appeal for funds to enable it to meet General Duncan's request for the immediate establishment of Y. M. C. A. Centres for his men in Shanghai. Almost £3,500 has now been sent—all within 48 hours of the first public appeal. The contributions include a cheque for £25 from Mrs. John Duncan, the wife of the general in command in Shanghai.

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Letters and postcards only for the United Kingdom and Europe will be forwarded via Siberia if so superscribed. The Radio Telegraph Service between Hongkong and Swatow has been resumed and telegrams for Swatow are now accepted under the same conditions and at the same rates as for Canton.

INWARD MAILS.

From	Per	Date.
Japan and Shanghai	Chenonceaux	May 10.
Saigon	D'Artagnan	May 10.
Straits	Pooksang	May 11.
Europe via Suez (letters and papers London 14th April, and parcels 7th April)	Kashmir	May 14.
U.S.A., Canada, Japan and Shanghai	Fushimi Maru	May 15.
Canada, U.S.A., Japan and Shanghai	Pres. Cleveland	May 15.
Japan and Shanghai	Emp. of Canada	May 16.
Australia and Manila	Kashima Maru	May 20.
Japan	Tango Maru	May 20.
Straits	Mishima Maru	May 24.
	Hakozaki Maru	May 29.

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	Date.
Sandakan	Mausang	Mon, May 9, 1.30 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, *Canada, *U.S.A., *C. & *S. America, and *Europe via San Francisco, and Europe via Siberia	Pres. Grant	Mon, May 9.

Parcels	Registration	Letters
(Due San Francisco 2nd June.)		
Swatow	Lianchow	Mon, May 9, 5 p.m.
Amoy	Nanning	Mon, May 9, 5 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Taihua Maru	Tues, May 10, 8.30 a.m.
Bangkok	Haidor	Tues, May 10, 8.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Fochow	Haining	Tues, May 10, 1 p.m.
Straits	Tsun Sing	Tues, May 10, 1.30 p.m.
Hainan	Tokien	Tues, May 10, 1.30 p.m.
Saigon, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. and S. Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Chenonceaux	Tues, May 10.
	Registration	1.45 p.m.
	Letters	2.30 p.m.
	(Due Marseilles, June 10).	

Parcels	Registration	Letters
(Due Vancouver, B.C., 20th May.)		
Swatow	King Yuen	Wed, May 11, 8.30 a.m.
Bangkok	Chinhu	Wed, May 11, 8.30 a.m.
Java via Sourabaya	Tjondari	Wed, May 11, 2.30 p.m.
Shanghai	Chenqu	Wed, May 11, 2.30 p.m.
Amoy	Pooksang	Wed, May 11, 5 p.m.
Straits	Cramer	Thurs, May 12, 10 a.m.
Weihaiwei	Huechow	Thurs, May 12, 2.30 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Fochow	Haihong	Fri, May 13, noon

Parcels	Registration	Letters
(Due Marseilles, 11th June.)		
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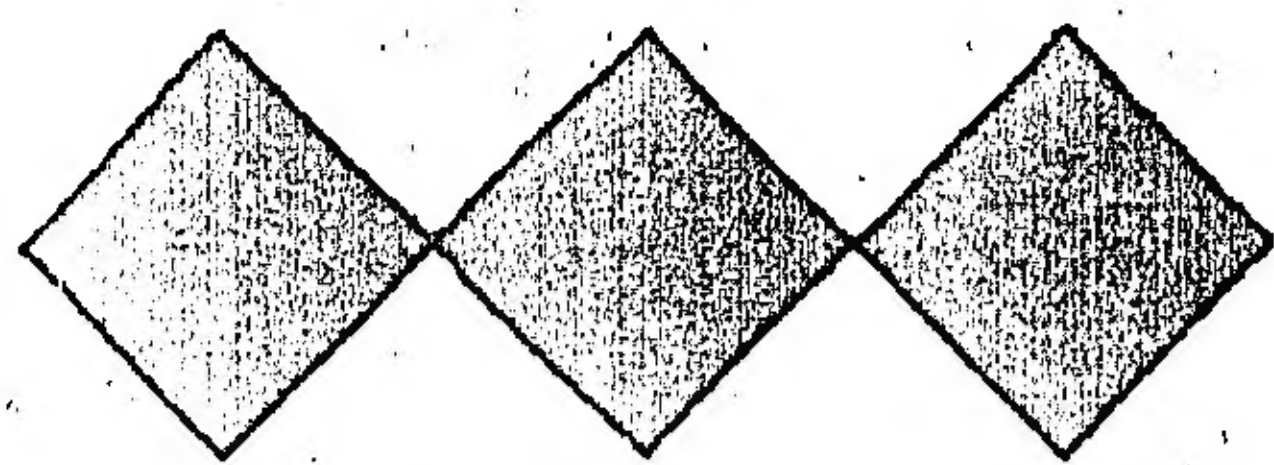
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(Due Vancouver, B.C., 20th May.)		
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	King Yuen	Wed, May 11, 8.30 a.m.
Shanghai, Japan and Europe via Siberia	Fushimi Maru	Mon, May 16, 10.30 a.m.

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Parcels	Registration	Letters
(Due San Francisco 10th June.)		
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Kaijo Maru	Sun, May 15, 9.30 a.m.
Shanghai, Japan and Europe via Siberia	Fushimi Maru	Mon, May 16, 10.30 a.m.

Parcels	Registration	Letters
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Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. and S. Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Chenonceaux	Tues, May 17.
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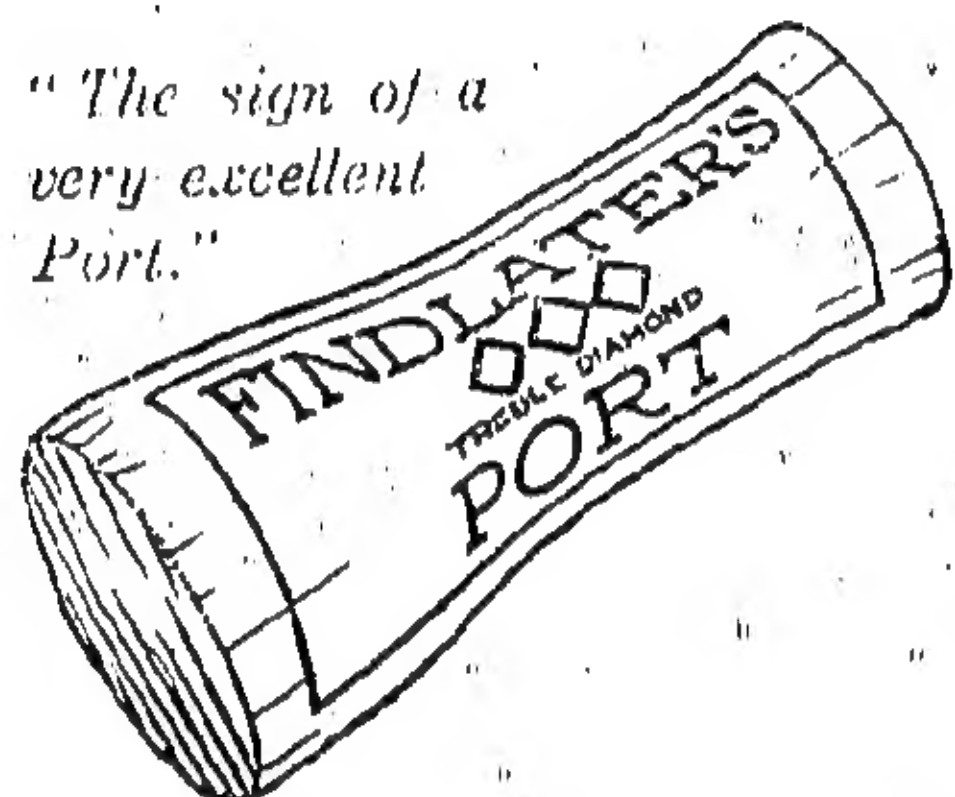
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KERENSKY EXPOSES
SOVIET.

Triumph of the Cantonese forces in China will bring no real step forward for Bolshevism, Alexander Kerensky, who was ousted from control of Russia by Lenin and Trotzky, declared in a recent interview at Washington. The Cantonese movement was under way and well organized long before the establishment of the Soviet, he asserted in a talk before the "Overseas Writers," and efforts of the Bolshevik leaders to capitalize its success are doomed to failure because of the intense nationalistic desires of the Cantonese.

A revolution in Russia by which the present regime will be overthrown was predicted by Kerensky. This was not his wish, he said. He declared that he and his associates were doing everything possible to force the Soviet rulers to make the concessions, both economic and political, which were regarded by democratic leaders as essential. Should these be made, he said, and the character of Russian government changed gradually in the direction of democracy violence might be avoided.

Violence Inevitable.

The Soviet leaders, however, have taken until now the position that they did not even hear the appeals of the democrats for changes, and Kerensky fears that this will continue so that violence will be necessary. Much stress is being laid on this point in the propaganda being circulated by the democrats in Russia, he said, so that the people will understand where to place the responsibility when violence comes.

The democrats, Kerensky declared, are well organized all over Russia and have already alienated all of the peasants and workers. The Bolshevik leaders are maintaining themselves in autocratic power by force, he said. Every prison and jail in Russia and Siberia contains more political prisoners to-day than it did during the Czarist regime, he said, while in addition there is a huge new prison crowded with men suspected of opposing the Soviet rule on the shores of the White Sea.

Asked about the charge that Bolshevik influence was responsible for the trouble in Mexico and Central America, Kerensky smilingly declined to be drawn into a controversy with Secretary of State Kellogg.

A Legend and Myth.

"However, this is true," he said. "It is not Bolshevik cold nor Soviet agents who are the chief contributors to such troubles. It is the legend that in Russia the common people, the workers and peasants, are ruling themselves and dwelling in peace, happiness and prosperity. Of course this is a wicked lie. Actually in no country in the world are the workers and peasants more oppressed, or living in more horrible conditions. As I have said, never in the Czarist days were there more prisoners in jails and mines than to-day."

"Actually most of the peasants and workers are now against the present government. It is supported by what you call your parlor reds, which I call drawing room or salon reds. It is also supported, I may say, by certain big financial interests which expect to acquire concessions in the near future from the present government. These interests do not want the present government changed because they do not want their privileges or expected privileges interfered with by the tumult of a revolution, or by the chance that a new government will not grant them the same favours."

Kerensky pointed out here that the Soviet leaders had been driven to the necessity of granting concessions to industry which he advocated while he was still in power, but to which the Soviet doctrine was opposed.

CHINA'S MENACE.

WEALTHY CLASS LIVE IN
DREAD.

The American journal, the *Hankow Herald*, which is now mimeographed as the result of the attempt to suppress it, in a recent leading article says:

On all letters which arrive at Hankow through the Post Office now appears a design in black ink, underneath which is printed the words "Support the Nationalist Government."

Chinese merchants gather in corners where they cannot be overheard by the Government and wonder what is to become of it all. They have supported the revolution, and were ready to support it to the very end. They desired a Nationalist China and they knew it meant ruin and disaster for all. But on every side is now the fear that Nationalist China insofar as Wuhan is concerned, is no longer the Nationalist China they have hoped for—but is instead, the stamping ground of the Soviet Bolshevik Communism, has run amok, and they fear they tremble for the future.

The compradors of foreign firms, who alone have made trading with other nations possible due to the peculiar customs of China, are being denounced as "running dogs of the Imperialists." Merchants who have developed trade and who have been financially bled white by the incursions of militarists, are denounced as "oppressors of the people." And foreigners in China who are sympathetic with the aims and aspirations of the Revolution are hailed on the streets by the labourers with curses as "foreign dogs."

Whence has it all come? And whither will it lead? Does the Nationalist Government plan to take over all industrial enterprise and to put Communism into operation in China? This cannot be, and it is not for this that merchants here have supported the Nationalist Revolution. It would be as impractical in China as it has proved itself in Russia. Why then are merchants the "running dogs of the Imperialists?" It is a Communist slogan—imported direct from Bolshevik Russia.

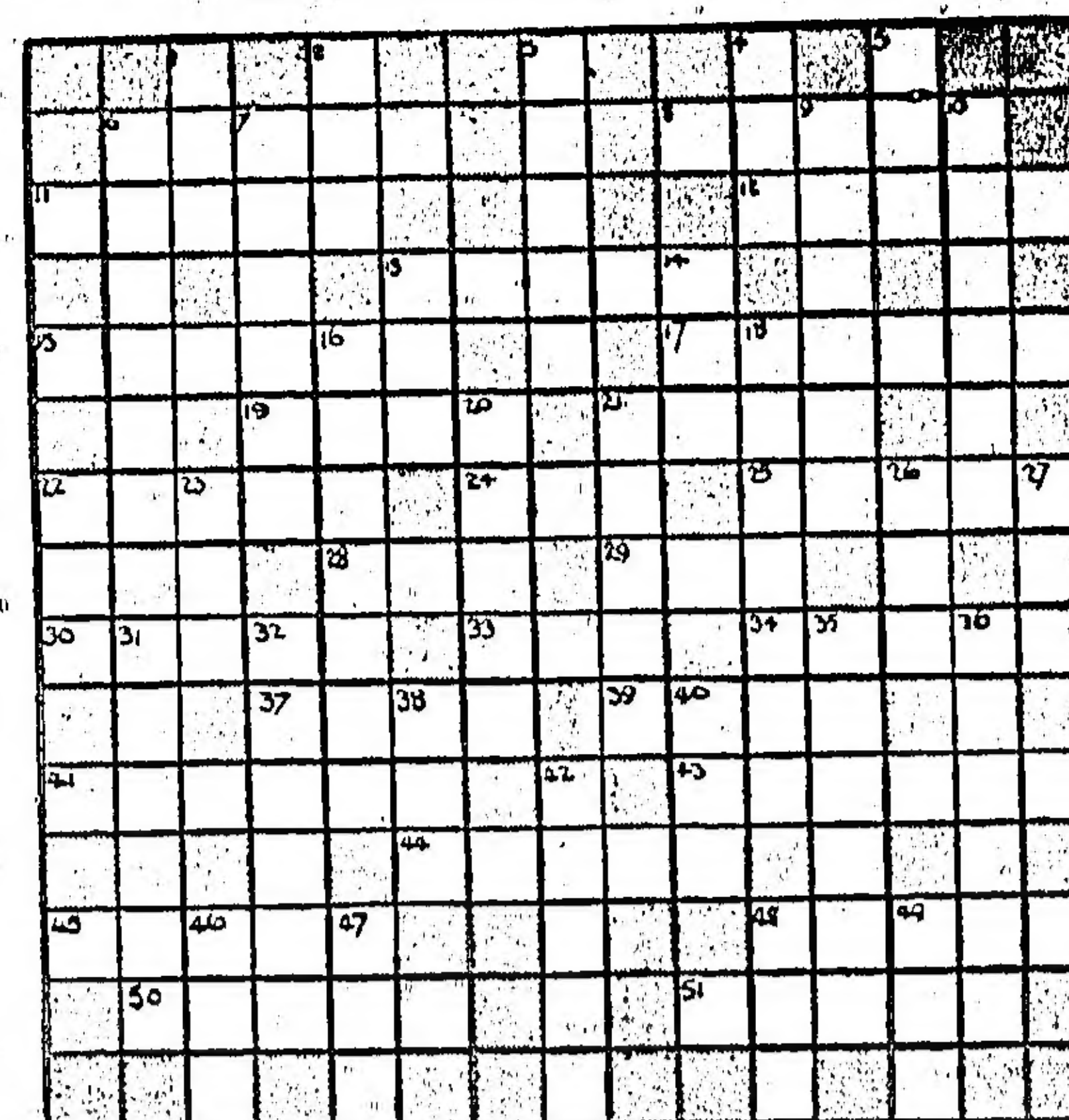
Afraid To Invest Capital.

Those in China to-day who would improve the condition of the people—who build houses in which Chinese people might live and for the building of which Chinese might be employed—are afraid to invest their capital in buildings. They are afraid to employ labour. Those who carry a trade are afraid to buy merchandise—are afraid that it will be destroyed on the wharves. To employ labour is unsafe. One must sympathize with the labourer—one must pity his estate—but at the same time, here in Wuhan, one realizes that the labourer has gotten completely out of bounds and has destroyed commerce and trade in exactly the same manner as it has been done in Soviet Russia.

That labour has rights is unquestionable. That the labourer is worthy of a living wage, and more than just enough wages to cover mere existence, will not be argued by any man. But that he is privileged to destroy, to intimidate, to pirate, and to arrest, try and judge his fellow men in defiance of a constituted government—that is not true. It is true only in the minds of Russian Communists. And what are conditions in Russia to-day that the emissaries of that Union would have the Chinese emulate?

For the safety of China, Chinese citizens of all degree must combine to fight this menace of Communism which would bring them down to the level of Soviet Russia. It is not enough to fight Imperialism. The fight against Communism must be fought and won. And only in so doing will the labourers, the farmers, the merchants and the students be able to be free and have a government of the people by the people and for the people.

OUR CROSSWORD PUZZLE.



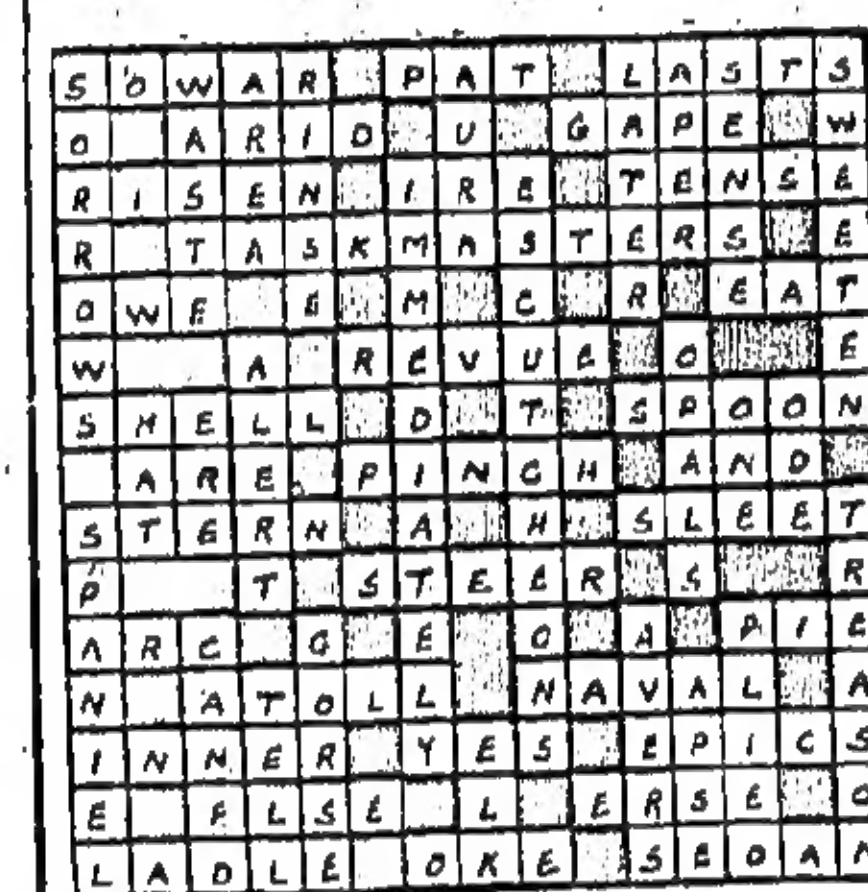
Across.
6 Position.
8 Certain elementary substance.
11 Watchful.
12 Outer doors.
13 One who performs.
15 Temper.
17 Fruit.
19 Emmets.
21 Heavenly body.
22 Employers.
24 Congealed water.
25 One who is lazy.
28 Soaked.
29 Be ill.
30 Courage.
33 Consuma.
34 Earthy variety of trap-rock.
37 Artistic faculties.
39 Boom.
41 Unrefined.
43 Loophole.
44 Mighty.
45 Dogma.
48 Satisfied.
50 Duck.
51 Inclosed.

Down.

1 Beverage.
2 Perform.
3 Condition.
4 Ask for.
5 Floor covering.
6 Members of vegetable kingdom.
7 Behind hand.
9 Herald's coat.
10 Measure of distance.
13 High tone.
14 Decompose.
16 Replies.

18 Road laid with rails.
20 Grounds on which buildings stand.
21 Chairs.
22 Vessel for keeping water hot.
23 Organ of hearing.
25 Hundred thousand.
27 Part of a fish.
31 Epic poem.
32 Made different.
35 Places for combat.
36 Having a ridge.
38 Young sheep.
40 Favourite.
42 Small printing type.
46 Pen point.
47 Number.
48 Was seated.
49 Afternoon meal.

Saturday's Puzzle.



VARSITY BOREDOM.

THE "SAXO" AND THE
BAGPIPES.

Do University students suffer from "general boredom?" According to Mr. L. R. Phillips (Bristol), "the average University student is not interested in economics and world problems. The task of the National Union of University Students," he added, "is to find out the reason for the general boredom which exists among students generally."

These remarks were made at the Congress of the National Union of University Students at Bristol recently during a long discussion on the policy they should adopt. No conclusion was reached, but the different speakers made many suggestions as to the courses it would be wise for the organisation to pursue.

It was explained that the object of the Union is to maintain good relations with students abroad for international purposes.

Mr. R. H. Morley (Leeds) mentioned that Cambridge had seceded from the Union, but he expressed

the hope that before long they would again have Cambridge with them on a satisfactory basis. It was suggested, he said, that the Union should put forward a popular policy, but as a matter of fact they found it difficult, on returning to their Universities to impose that enthusiasm for the Union which was so infectious when they were in Congress.

Comparisons.

Mr. S. C. Gould (Bristol) said the Union had to spend most of its time explaining its object. "I suppose," he said, "that a prophet of old would have called its object a 'sound of brass and tinkling cymbal'; the modern prophet would compare it with a klaxon horn, or in a more inspired moment with a saxophone. (Laughter.) I suppose our Scottish friends would compare it with the bagpipes—the Executive pipe," he added.

"But the students don't dance, and Cambridge had seceded because of the 'sniffy' attitude of the Union towards the two Universities, which matter, I believe, if there were a referendum of all the Universities, there would be an enormous majority in favour of the Union." (Some dissent.)

"I don't think the situation is as bad as some think," said Mr. Harklets (Cambridge). "We in Cambridge have decided to give twelve months' notice to leave the Union, but it is not because Cambridge differs with the aim of the Union. It is on the question of proper representation."

Mr. J. Ramage (London School of Economics) said there seemed to be a presumption against the Union entering the political arena. It would be a mistake, in his opinion, if that idea became hatched.

Mr. K. G. Myer (Pembroke College, Cambridge) said: "The Union cannot be thoroughly represented without both Oxford and Cambridge, any more than the League of Nations can be without America."

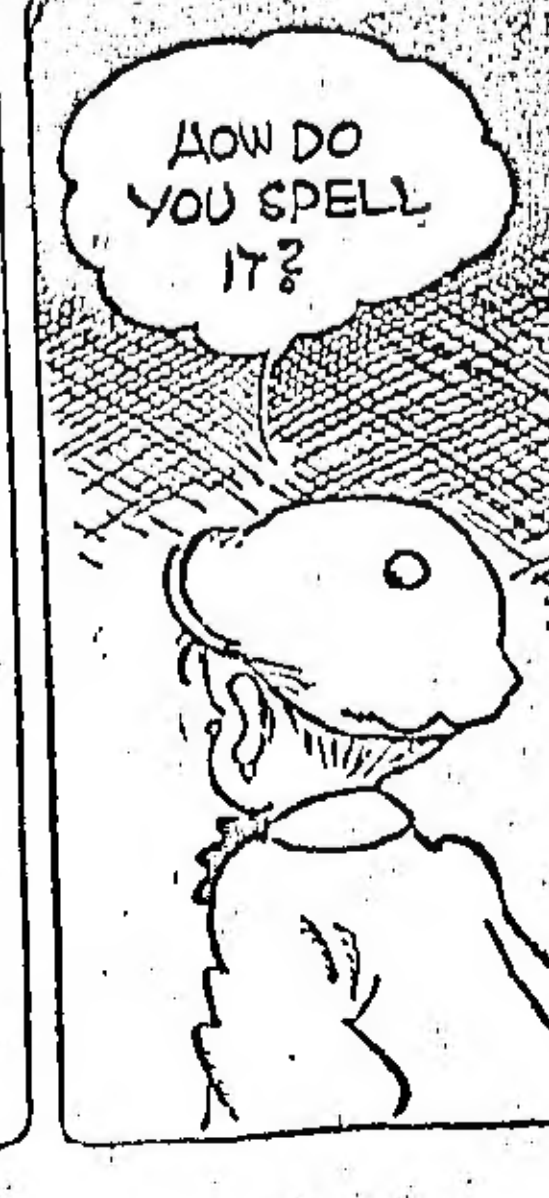
Mr. R. N. May (Birmingham) contended that the Union was becoming an important part of University life.

A French-Canadian poet, composer, and musician, Mr. Jean Louis De Beaupour, who wrote and composed a lament on the Laurier Palace Theatre disaster, has been sent to jail in Montreal for stealing a clarinet.

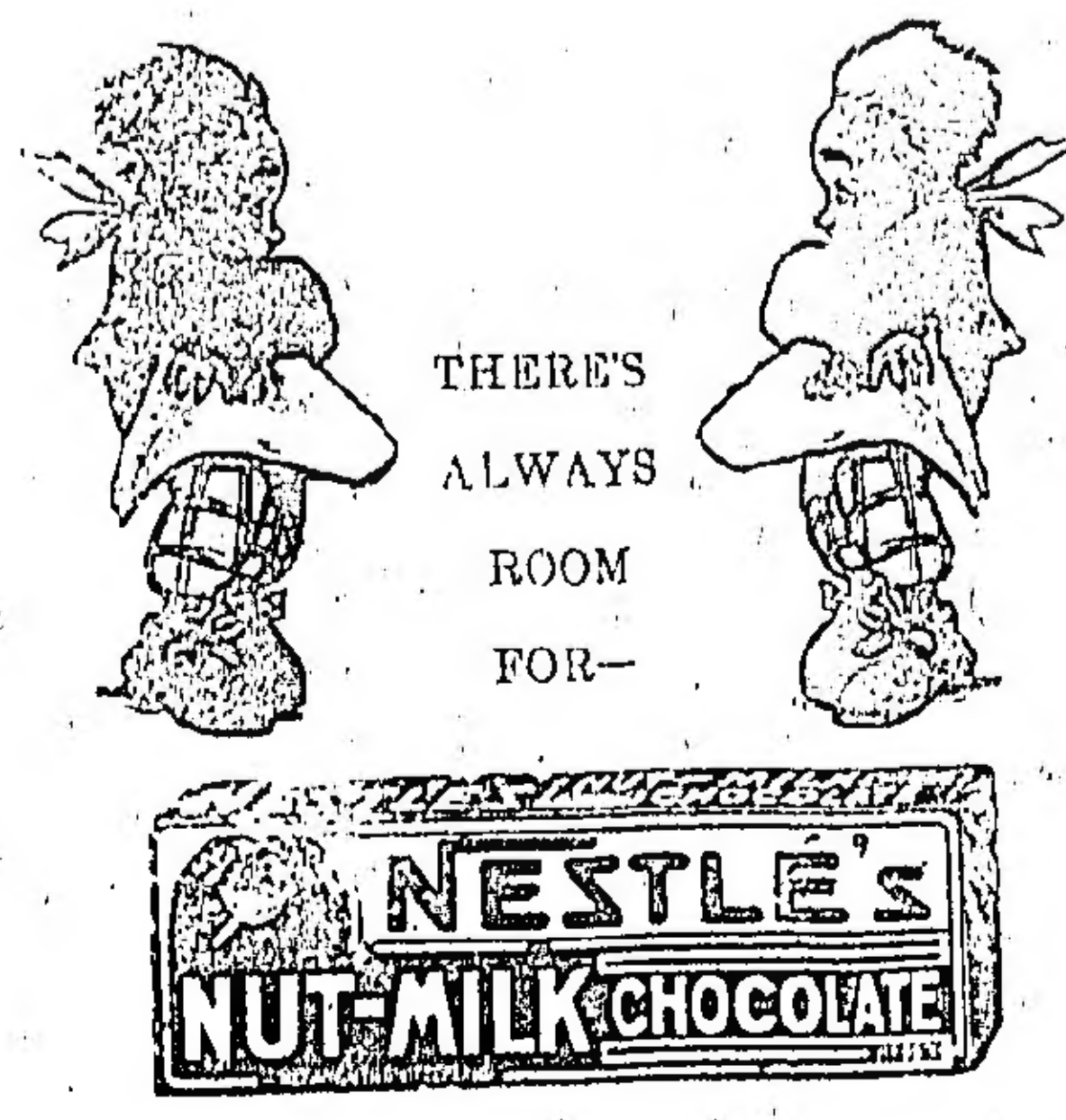
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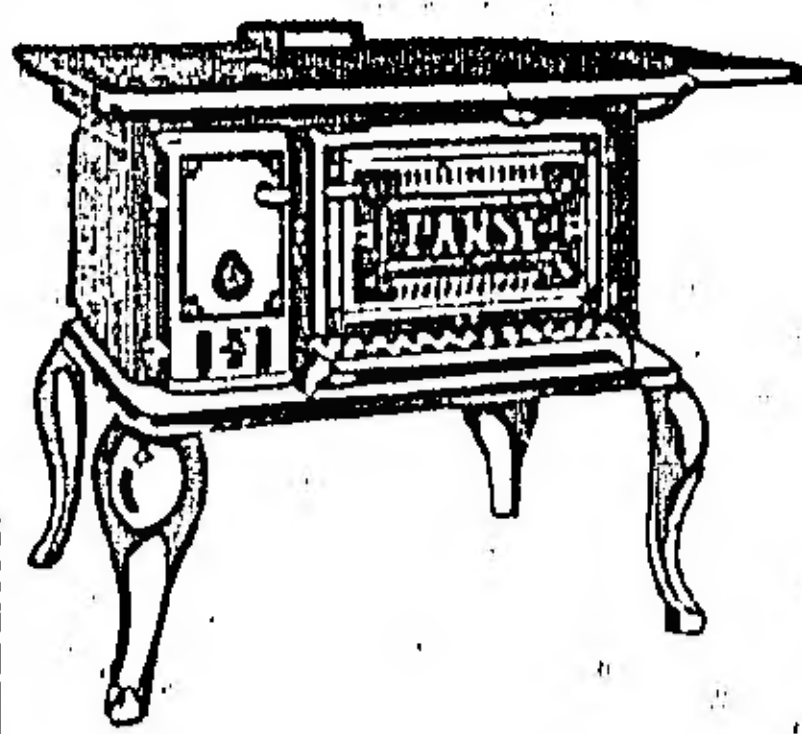
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YANGTZE TRAGEDY.

No-one can have read Mr. Lennox Simpson's despatches from the Yangtze, or more especially the interview he granted to Reuters' correspondent at Shanghai upon his return there last week, without realising the extraordinary gravity of the situation along China's greatest waterway. That waterway is, also, her greatest trade route and along its banks are many of the largest and most famous cities of the country. These, says "Putnam Weekly," have been reduced to mere riot-centres, with no semblance of effective governmental control. Millions—tens of millions—of Chinese are being seriously affected for ill by the great upheaval which has left the region in a disordered, soldier-ridden and penurious state, and it is distinctly disquieting to think that the Nationalists—the power that invaded and broke up the old regimes along this great river—have split into factions and have thereby taken away all semblance of centrally-directed control. Is it any wonder that Mr. Simpson should speak of suspense and stagnation? All down the river, from Hankow to Shanghai there is no trade and an absence of conditions in which it can be restarted. There is no Yangtze group capable, at the moment, of forming anything remotely resembling a Government. The fall of the Hankow clique might, if the threat to it results in its downfall, eventually weld together the opposing factions, but there is bound to be a period of even greater chaos than that at present prevailing, before things simmer down to such a condition. The week-end telegrams have told of severe fighting between the Hankow troops and the Fengtien forces, and it would seem as though Hankow, with the formidable array of opponents all round it and the failure of the expected assistance from Marshal Feng Yuxiang, is due for an early collapse. And when that comes it is difficult to see how even greater confusion is to be avoided.

Mr. Simpson's plea is that the hour has arrived when the facts will have to be faced and reconstruction attempted by force from without, but that is a plea which, unfortunately, is not likely to result in action by those who ought to take it. The navigation of the

Yangtze and the resumption of its enormous trade are matters so vital to the welfare of China that there would be no lack of justification if the Powers did commence to exercise stern control. Foreign interests alone would make such a step almost advisable, but the Powers whose nationals trade with China owe it to the Chinese to prevent a policy of drift from causing overwhelming disaster. The unfortunate thing is that there is little likelihood of the Powers, in concert, taking the steps that are necessary. We have seen in the case of the Nanking Note how the Washington Government is in divergence with the others and how Japan is none too anxious to assume responsibilities which are not evenly borne by others. Britain has been urged to take the steps that are necessary, but there is obvious cause for caution and reflection before any one Power embarks upon a course of action in which others will not join her and by the execution of which she would stand to bear the brunt of enemy-inspired vilification. We are firmly convinced that this policy of drift is all wrong and tremendously costly in every way to all concerned, but, it would seem that the hour has not yet brought forth the will or the means to avert an ever-growing disaster. It is not a very hopeful reflection with which one is left, after reading Mr. Simpson's tale of chaos, because some of the Powers still fail to understand the imperative need for action, or to realise the sin of omission they are committing by not intervening on behalf of the peaceful millions of this great country of China.

Task For Red Cross.

From what at first seemed a small affair, the flooding following the excessive rise in the Mississippi River has developed into the worst in the history of the United States, and the Red Cross there is faced with the urgent need of aiding considerably over 300,000 people who have been the victims of this disaster. There is also the need to re-fill many square miles of territory that has been devastated, and to find seed sufficient to re-sow the valuable crops that have been utterly ruined. We read day by day of the incidents connected with the flood—of animals rendered tame by hunger, of human beings almost at the extreme of despair, who are huddled, some of them on the insecure levees, awaiting succor. Help is being sent from all over the country, and takes the form of rescues by boat and by aeroplane, that being itself sufficient to point to the greatness of the catastrophe and the vastness of the area affected. The territory affected comprises urban areas, rich agricultural sections, valuable forests, and developed tracts where roads, railways, industrial concerns, and so forth, have probably been ruined. The question of rehabilitation and repair is now occupying the minds of those concerned, but the prime necessity is an abatement of the flood and the draining away of the water, before anything can be done to efface the signs of devastation. This in any case is a long and weary task, in view of the nature of the disaster, and latest news from the Mississippi area suggests that conditions are likely to grow worse. The task ahead of the Red Cross and other relief organizations is therefore not yet capable of being estimated. The whole world, we feel sure, must view the catastrophe with sentiments of the deepest sympathy for those affected, and for the people and Government of the United States in this terrible trial that has befallen the country.

LAME HAWKER.

ACQUITTED OF SQUATTING
CHARGE.

A Chinese constable brought a lame man into Mr. R. E. Lindell's Court this morning and charged him with squatting, a procedure which was contrary to the conditions of the man's hawking license. On discovering the man's condition, his Worship said: "What else could you expect him to do than squatting?"

Remarking that the man should not have been brought there at all, his Worship ordered his discharge.

DAY BY DAY.

IT IS CUSTOMARY TO ENCOURAGE PEOPLE TO BELIEVE THAT THEY CAN ALWAYS BE MASTERS OF THEIR FATES. BUT FACTS—WHICH ARE NEVER EMOTIONAL—DEMONSTRATE THAT CIRCUMSTANCES OVER WHICH WE HAVE NO CONTROL FREQUENTLY AFFECT MEN'S DESTINIES.—Richard Steel.

The Hydrangea arrived this morning from Fort Bayard carrying specie amounting to \$24,000.

During the week-end there was only one case of notifiable disease reported, this being a Chinese case of typhoid fever.

A Chinese, stated to be employed at the Dairy Farm at Pokfulam, suddenly collapsed and died on the waterfront on Saturday.

One case of small-pox and one of enteric fever were the only notifications of infectious disease appearing on the health return on Saturday. Both were Chinese.

The s.s. Empress of Canada is due at Yokohama to-day, on schedule. Capt. S. Robinson, C.B.E., R.N.R., is on leave, and Capt. A. J. Halley, R.N.R., is in command.

A four-year-old Chinese child was killed yesterday through a fall from the first floor of No. 117 Whitfield, into the backyard of the house. The body was taken to the Mortuary.

Through being knocked down by a motor cycle at Queen's Road East, a 10-year-old Chinese girl was removed to the Government Civil Hospital on Saturday with injuries to her legs.

In a fall resulting from an attempt to board a moving tram at the Praya East on Saturday, a Chinese was injured in the left arm. He was taken to the Government Civil Hospital.

The total shipping arrivals and departures over the week-end numbered 32 and 27 respectively, of which 14 and 12 were British, leaving in harbour this morning 71 vessels, of which 26 were British.

A Chinese male passenger on the Huichow suddenly died while the steamer was anchored at No. 33 Buoy on Saturday. There were no suspicious circumstances, and the remains were taken ashore to the Kowloon Mortuary.

A mishap occurred at the new St. Paul's Girls College building at Kennedy Road on Saturday, when one of the workmen slipped from a ledge in the second floor and dropped a distance of twenty feet to the ground. He received injuries to the head and legs, and was removed to the Government Civil Hospital in a serious condition.

The exhibition of pictures at premises of Messrs. Komor and Komor has attracted a large number of people, many of whom have taken the opportunity of acquiring some of the work exhibited. There are still some wonderful examples in both water colours and oils, but residents are reminded that the display definitely closes on Friday next.

At the Marine Court this morning before Lieut. Commr. J. W. Newell R.N., D.S.O., the master of the motor boat Australia was fined \$15, with the alternative of two weeks' imprisonment, for failing to exhibit the regulation lights whilst under way. Defendant pleaded not guilty, but later admitted that the stern light was not burning, and the case was considered proved.

When a case in which a female passenger arriving from the North by the Takliwa, charged with the possession of 39 taels of prepared opium, was mentioned before Mr. W. Schofield, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, Revenue Officer Lamigan explained that the defendant had been taken ill since her arrest and was unable to appear in Court. The case was adjourned pending her recovery.

OBITUARY.

The death has occurred at the Naval Hospital of a popular naval officer in the person of Surgeon Lt.-Commr. G. Aubrey, of H.M.S. Tamar.

Admitted into the Naval Hospital suffering from pneumonia, it is stated, he passed away last night. Deceased, who was only 32 years of age, leaves a widow with whom much sympathy is felt.

The funeral, with full naval honours, takes place at Happy Valley this afternoon.

THE NANKING ATROCITY.

OUTSPOKEN COMMENT.

What is being done about the Nanking atrocity, asks the N.C. Daily News in an editorial article on Tuesday last. We are now in the third month, close on eight weeks, since it happened. All the advantage of swift, stern justice has been lost by inexcusable delay. It would almost seem as if the outrage were altogether forgotten. Meanwhile new events have followed to distract attention yet further from it. By some timid creatures it is argued that, as Chiang Kai-shek has arisen to crush the Communists, nothing must be done which might give him offence and serve to change his mind. To others, equally irresolute, visions appear of the Communist bubble at Hankow disappearing in spontaneous combustion, of rogues falling out and honest men thus quickly coming to their own again. So once more, better to do nothing and wait on events. Meanwhile, an unsurpassed wrong remains unrequited and new conviction is instilled into the lawless that foreigners may be harried and looted and murdered with impunity.

We protest most strongly against the unpardonable procrastination that has let the weeks drift by and nothing be done. We protest in the name of the hundreds of deeply wronged foreigners of Nanking and in the cause of the dignity and honour of the white man in China. Recollections of Lien-cheng begin to afford an ominous parallel. When the news of the attack on the Blue Express first went round the world, the answer came back that governments were ready to do everything and anything to obtain full reparation. And all this just indignation came to naught. So it begins to be feared of the case of Nanking. It is not as if most urgent representations had not been telegraphed to London from influential quarters in China. The question, however, must be asked: Have equally urgent representations gone from all quarters? Have all representatives of Great Britain in China shown an equally keen appreciation of the "vital principle involved and the unquestionable need of strong action? Is it possible that once again Peking has proved too far from the centre of realities for a just appreciation of them? That distance has lent, if not enchantment to the view, at any rate a general toning down of all high lights and lessened value in the essential features?

We urge once again that Great Britain will break away from the intolerable shilly-shallying and time-serving of the Diplomatic Body and will boldly proceed to action as she did in sending the defence forces to Shanghai. That hundred-times justified stroke saved Shanghai. Another would with equal certainty save the Yangtze Valley. We go back again to the demand we made last week for the occupation of Hankow. It is the nerve centre of the Yangtze and the disease with which it is infected is paralyzing the whole of central China. To wait on events in that region or for the possible appearance of a saviour from some other quarter of the compass is only to waste more time, to deepen the miseries of the decent Chinese people of Hupeh and increase the difficulties of ultimate settlement. Now is the time to act when, as Mr. Lennox Simpson reminds us in the striking interview published today, all previous authority has disintegrated into congeries of riot-centres. To occupy Hankow is not difficult; it would show that we realized where the true responsibility for the Nanking outrage lay and it would be a step of paramount effectiveness towards the restoration of peace and order throughout Central China.

ALLEGED STOWAWAYS.

PLEA OF LOST TICKETS.

Two Chinese who were charged before Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning with stowing away on board the ss. Yuen Sang from Singapore, pleaded that they had purchased tickets before embarking for Hongkong but, during the voyage from Singapore to Hoihow, some person had stolen their tickets and money.

The compradore of the ship gave evidence of finding the two men among the deck passengers without tickets, but when asked by the Magistrate how many tickets had been issued by the agents and if the number of passengers tallied with the number of tickets sold, witness said he was not in a position to give the number of tickets sold.

The case was adjourned till tomorrow morning for the necessary evidence if available.

The Very Idea!

In connexion with the Beethoven centenary, the following story is told of a concert of classical music in America:—

The "Leonora" overture, in which two trumpet passages "off-stage" are played, was being performed, but on neither occasion did the trumpeting come in. After the overture the furious conductor rushed to the wings and found the fireman apostrophising the trumpeter, "I tell you you can't play that 'ere. There's a concert on."

The youngster laughed when father slipped.
And fell upon the floor.
But father chanced to hear him, so.
He doesn't any more.

Hackney landlady: My lodger kicked up an awful row. He said that some one had taken his spectacles, and all the time they were on his nose.

Willesden magistrate: There was nothing wrong with your conduct. Man: Thank you, sir. Please tell my wife that.

Stout man at Tottenham: I am a baker. Magistrate: A baker! Man: Yes, but I agree that I look like a publican.

Wife at Willesden: I am separated from my husband—not legally, but because we have so many children that there is no room.

Judge Cluer at Shoreditch: I prefer my own opinion to that of my doctor.

Woman: She struck me and said, "Now I will bet you £5 you are afraid to take me into court. Clerk: And you took the bet? Woman: Yes.

At a meeting of the Wem Guardians the master reported that a female inmate, aged 68, who had died of influenza, had been in the house since she was a fortnight old. The Clerk: She has cost us £1,700.

The Chairman: No, she has cost us nothing. I have visited the house many times and never saw her idle.

Do scientists make a practice of "analysing" their friends and others with whom they come in contact? Apparently they do, for Sir Ernest Rutherford told this story at the dinner of the British Wireless Dinner Club at the Trocadero, London.

"I was at Oxford last year at the meeting of the British Association. I was with Sir Arthur Keith, and I said to him—'A gathering like this must be of great interest to you, because you can study the skulls of those around you.' He said 'Yes, it is of great interest. You see that group over there consisting of Sir Oliver Lodge, Sir Arthur Schuster, and the Earl of Balfour. If you go and dig in this country you will find the kind of skull that Sir Oliver Lodge has. If you go to Nineveh you will find Schuster's type of skull; and Balfour's is a typical Scottish skull.'"

The stinky man is never well served.—Lord Cottesloe.

If you want a wife to your mind, you must bring her up yourself.—Rev. R. J. Campbell.

Two years hence the Labour party will be the Government again.—Mr. Ramsay MacDonald.

What has been done already in the case of Boards of Guardians may be done in the case of Town Councils.—Mr. Neville Chamberlain.

Among the legal points given in a certain almanack are the following:—

Anyone letting off fireworks in public is liable to a fine of £5. You must not play cards in a public-house.

Money won at billiards cannot be recovered.

Publicans cannot recover for beer, &c., consumed on their premises.

A bailiff must not break into a house, but he may enter by the chimney.

Tradesmen cannot be compelled to sell their goods at the prices marked in the windows.

"We are ruined!" exclaimed the manager of the Kentucky Slasher, as he rushed into the office and seated himself on an empty soap-box.

"What's the matter now?" asked the editor, looking up absently from a brilliant article he was writing on pea-nuts.

"See here! Didn't we advertise sheet music as a premium to subscribers?"

"Sure, boss."

"Waal, our miserable contemporary over the way is now giving away pianos to play the music on."

Banished from the Colony on August 5, 1926, for a period of five years, a Chinese was, this morning, sentenced to seven months' hard labour and 20 strokes of the birch by Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistracy for returning before the expiration of his term of banishment.

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NUNGESSER'S EFFORT.

START OF TRANS-ATLANTIC FLIGHT.

Paris, May 8.
Dramatic thrills enlivened Captain Nungesser's start at Le Bourget for his trans-Atlantic flight. He was accompanied by Captain Coli. Their huge aeroplane is named the "White Bird," and is painted white to facilitate it being spotted in the event of a forced descent into the sea, with a black heart near the cockpit on which a skull and crossbones and a coffin are daubed in white, "to show I am not afraid," as Nungesser explains.

The mechanics swung the air-screw following the pilot's cry "Where you like." The machine bounded from the aerodrome with a deafening roar, and the spectators held their breath as it continued to rush along the ground, against the wind, until it was seen to clear the last of the trees at New York last September be repeated.

Nungesser put on the full throttle, but seemed unable to drag the deadweight of two and a half tons from the ground. Twice the tail rose, and twice it dropped.

The machine covered 1,000 yards, and was about a dozen yards from the hedge when the pilot yanked back the joystick. The machine then tottered aloft and sailed out of sight.—*Reuter.*

Not Yet Sighted at Other Side.

St. John, Newfoundland, May 8.
Cape Race reports that at midnight to-night, Greenwich time, nothing had been heard of Nungesser.

The wind was north-east at the time, and there were snow showers, with visibility about two miles.—*Reuter's American Service.*

COLONIAL CONFERENCE.

TO DISCUSS FUTURE MEETINGS.

London, May 8.

The Colonial Office Conference, opening on May 10, will be attended by Governors and other representatives of the majority of the Colonies, Protectorates, and mandated territories.

The meetings will be confidential, but communications will be issued where practicable.

It is hoped to conclude the business by May 31. There will be two meetings daily four days a week. The conference will be experimental in nature, the primary object being to explore the desirability of holding Colonial Conferences of a more comprehensive nature at fixed intervals, and consider the possibility of establishing any other machinery to secure more effective co-operation between the Colonial Governments in matters of general administration, economic development, and scientific and technical research.—*Reuter.*

CAMERONIANS IN NEW BILLETS.

MAKE WAY FOR FRESH BATTALIONS.

The 1st Batt. of the Camerons (Scottish Rifles) moved out of the Peninsula Hotel this morning, and took up new quarters at the Rope Factory, Shamshui.

Only a small guard has been left at the Peninsula Hotel, which is to be made ready for the reception of two battalions of the additional forces now on their way to China. The new Brigade on its way to China, comprising the 1st Batt. Green Howards, 2nd Batt. Welch Regiment, 2nd Batt. Scots Guards, and the 2nd Batt. Northamptonshire Regiment, is due to arrive within a week or ten days.

NOTED INVENTOR.



The late Mr. Hudson Maxim, the noted American inventor and explosives expert, whose death was announced on Saturday.

BOGUS HOSPITAL COLLECTORS.

TWO MEN SENTENCED FOR FRAUD.

Two men appeared before Mr. R. E. Lindsell this morning charged with obtaining money by false pretences.

It transpired from the evidence that these men went around the city as representatives of the Wai Man Hospital of Canton, and were successful in raising about \$60 to \$70 under the pretext of applying the money received to the needs of the hospital.

The men were arrested as a result of an attempt to extort money from Mr. Kwok Kai-tung, of No. 353, Des Voeux Road West. Mr. Kwok said that the men spoke eloquently and gave the names of many persons who were supposed to have subscribed to their lists. His suspicions were aroused when, in answer to one of his questions, the men told him that they had no authority from the S.C.A. to collect money on behalf of the hospital.

Witness followed defendants into the street, and as soon as he saw a constable he gave the men into custody.

The men were sentenced to six weeks' hard labour each.

JUNK CASUALTY.

TRADING CRAFT LOST A MAN.

A report was made at the Harbour Office this morning, by the master of a Hongkong trading junk which left here for Macao on May 6th, with a cargo of 75 tons of coal and 200 cases of kerosene, and a crew of eight men, two women and three children, that the vessel was wrecked on Tai Pi Island on May 7th, with the loss of one man.

On May 7th, according to the master's report, a high wind sprang up shortly after midnight and in the gusts, the rudder was damaged. The waves sweeping over the craft soon caused her to be swamped and the crew were forced to take to the water.

All managed to reach shore except one man, although the remainder suffered injuries which necessitated treatment. This was given on the following day at Macao, the survivors taking the ferry to the Portuguese port from the island. They will return to the Colony to-day, a relief junk having been sent up to bring them away.

The junk is a total loss.

CHINA UNDERWRITERS LIMITED.

THIRD YEARLY COMPANY MEETING.

At the third ordinary yearly meeting of China Underwriters Limited, which was held at the offices of Messrs. Shewan Tomes and Co., Ltd., on Saturday Mr. R. G. Shewan presided and the following were present:—Messrs. C. P. Marcel, Mok Ching-kong, C. A. da Rosa and Tsang Foo (members of the Consulting Committee), Mr. H. R. Sturt, F. I. A. (manager and secretary), Mr. E. R. Child (assistant secretary), Messrs. J. M. Alves, Allan Keith, M. A. Figueredo, F. J. Tavares, J. Toppin, A. L. Shields, Wong Kwong-tin, A. A. Alves, C. Thwaites, Wong Kit-an, L. B. Gomes and W. N. H. Murdoch (shareholders).

After the report and statement of accounts, which were published in these columns on Saturday, had been carried unanimously on the proposition of the Chairman, seconded by Mr. Murdoch, the following were re-elected on the Consulting Committee on the proposal of Mr. Thwaites seconded by Mr. Wong Kit-an:—Messrs. C. A. da Rosa, L. B. Gomes, Mok Ching-kong, and Tsang Foo.

Mr. A. A. Alves proposed and Mr. Keith seconded that Messrs. Lowe, Bingham and Matthews and Messrs. Percy Smith, Seth and Fleming be re-elected auditors for the current year at a fee of \$750 each. The proposition was carried.

DYER CHALLENGE CUP.

SCOTTISH COMPANY COMPETITIONS.

The "Dyer" Challenge Cup, presented to the Scottish Company, H.K.V.D.C., for Inter-Platoon Competition in musketry, and which is also open to the Scottish Section of the Reserve Company, is to be shot for at Stonecutters on Sunday, May 29th.

Teams of eight men from each Platoon will fire Part II of the Musketry Course, and there will also be an "attack" competition, and a Lewis Gun Competition.

WEIHAIWEI SAFE.

AMPLE PROTECTION FOR VISITORS.

Weihaiwei, April 25.

Some people in Shanghai and Hongkong have been expressing doubts as to the safety of Weihaiwei. It is true that bandits recently have been in evidence at Shijiao, at the south-eastern extremity of the Promontory. The bandits we always have with us in China, but it is equally true that the gentry who follow this ancient profession have good reason for regarding the British territory as distinctly unhealthy and confine their depredations to districts beyond our boundary, which is ten miles from the shore of the bay.

OFF the Beaten Track.

As a matter of fact, Weihaiwei probably is the safest place in China to-day, and the reasons for this assertion are not far to seek. Situated near the extreme north-west corner of the Shanung Promontory, remote from populous centres, off the beaten track and backed by a mountainous hinterland, Weihaiwei at any rate, that part of the Territory frequented by foreigners is as difficult to attack by land as it is easy to protect by sea, and naval protection in overwhelming force can be provided at very short notice. Order is maintained by a semi-military police, 150 strong, under British inspectors, supported by a smaller force of British soldiers. This seems sufficient protection at present, but there can be no question that our authorities could, and would, increase the garrison if the need arose.

Peace of Local Population.

Nor need there be any fears as to the attitude of our local population, mostly peasant proprietors, some 150,000 in number. Under the "brutal imperialism" of British rule, they have enjoyed a peace, a security and a prosperity which have been conspicuous by their absence on the other side of our border, and retrocession, the advent of their own rulers, soldiers and police is about the last thing they desire.

H.M.S. Magnolia at present is stationed here for the protection of British interests in these waters, and H.M.S. Foxglove shortly is to join her. Early in May, H.M.S. Ambrose and eight submarines also are due and probably will spend the summer months here. To the ordinary man, it would seem that the question as to the safety of Weihaiwei in the immediate future is fully answered.

AUSTRALIA'S NEW PARLIAMENT.

DUKE OF YORK'S OPENING.

London, May 8.

The Duke and Duchess of York have arrived at Canberra, the new capital of the Australian Commonwealth to open the new Federal Parliament Buildings.

This ceremony will be the grand climax of their Australian tour. They were met at the station by Mr. Bruce, the Federal Premier, and Mrs. Bruce, and motored to Government House, where Lord Stonehaven, Governor General, is in residence.

Later, the Duke unofficially visited Parliament House.

The Duke and Duchess and Lord and Lady Stonehaven will arrive at Parliament House tomorrow morning, with a cavalry escort. Units of three arms of the defence forces will line the route. The approach to Parliament House will be headed by a fanfare of trumpets blown on silver bugles by the Royal Marines.

After inspecting guards of honour, who will give him the Royal Salute, the Duke will mount the steps to the door of Parliament House. Dame Nellie Melba will sing the national "Anthem."—*British Wireless.*

GERMAN STRONG-HEARTS.

WANT PEACE TREATIES ABROGATED.

Berlin, May 8.

Eighty thousand members of the "Steel Helmet" organisation, mostly ex-soldiers and Nationalists, assembled to protest against the peace treaties and demand the restoration of conscription, and declare war on "all weakness and cowardice which desires to deprive the Germans of the right and the will to defend."

The police in full force, and armed to the teeth, barred to other organisations the areas and streets through which the "Steel Helmets" passed, in order to prevent clashes. The President declined an invitation to attend the demonstration.

HONGKONG ADE.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE REPORT.

The following is the fortnightly report issued by the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce:

Cotton Piece Goods.—There has been more enquiry last week reporting and sales of chops in Spring Fancies toher with small lots of quantities of Brocades, Stripes and Macings have come to the market. The rapid advance in price of the raw material is making new business increasingly difficult, the latest quotations of those of the 4th inst. are:—
Mid. Amer. "Spot" 7, the tons of the market by "bullish" swing to the flood the Mississippi Valley rather than the amount of business.

Cotton Yarn.—Continued extremely dull and small business was transacted for immediate requirements. Nominal quotations are as follows:—
No. 10s. \$145/1 No. 12s. \$150/162. No. 16s. \$160/165. No. 20s. \$170/175. No. 24s. \$180/185. No. 28s. \$190/195. No. 32s. \$200/205. No. 36s. \$210/215. No. 40s. \$220/225. No. 44s. \$230/235. No. 48s. \$240/245. No. 52s. \$250/255. No. 56s. \$260/265. No. 60s. \$270/275. No. 64s. \$280/285. No. 68s. \$290/295. No. 72s. \$300/305. No. 76s. \$310/315. No. 80s. \$320/325. No. 84s. \$330/335. No. 88s. \$340/345. No. 92s. \$350/355. No. 96s. \$360/365. No. 100s. \$370/375. No. 104s. \$380/385. No. 108s. \$390/395. No. 112s. \$400/405. No. 116s. \$410/415. No. 120s. \$420/425. No. 124s. \$430/435. No. 128s. \$440/445. No. 132s. \$450/455. No. 136s. \$460/465. No. 140s. \$470/475. No. 144s. \$480/485. No. 148s. \$490/495. No. 152s. \$500/505. No. 156s. \$510/515. No. 160s. \$520/525. No. 164s. \$530/535. No. 168s. \$540/545. No. 172s. \$550/555. No. 176s. \$560/565. No. 180s. \$570/575. No. 184s. \$580/585. No. 188s. \$590/595. No. 192s. \$600/605. No. 196s. \$610/615. 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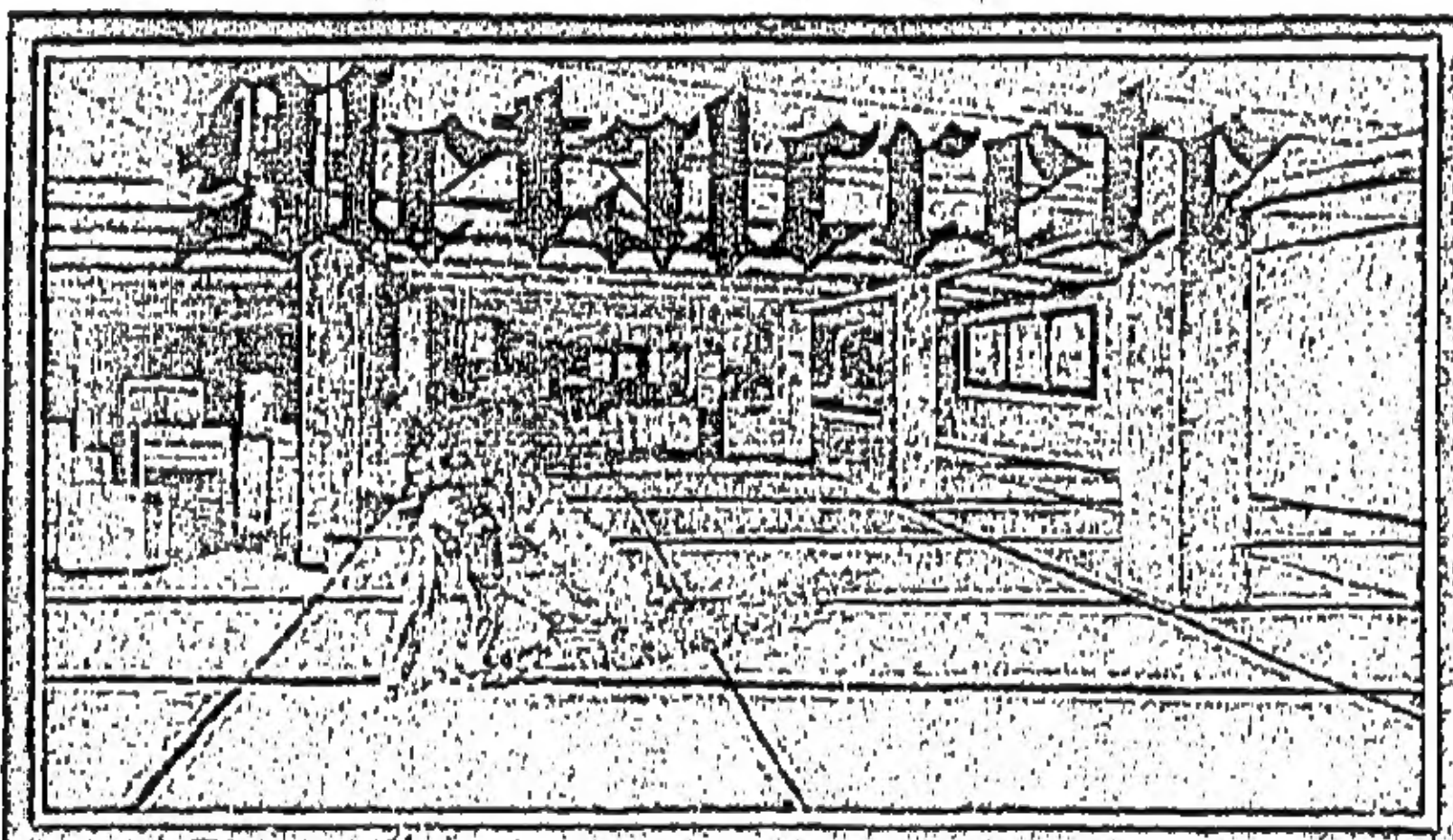
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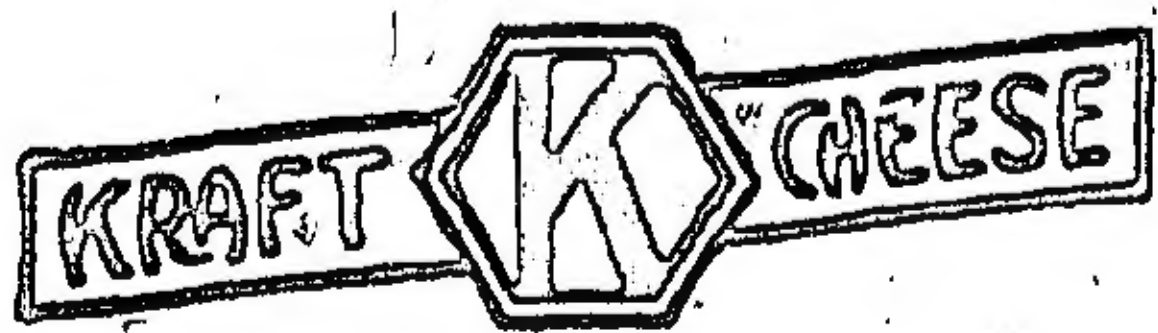
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NEW SEASON OPENED ON
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The opening of the new lawn bowls season on Saturday was marked by some very close finishes in the two leagues. In no less than four matches the difference in the scores was below ten points.

Taikoo scored a victory over Craigengower by six points while the margin between the Kowloon C. C. and Civil Service was also six points, the former team gaining the decision. The Kowloon Dock scored a comparatively easy win over the Police, the difference being 24 shots.

The full scores were:

DIVISION I.

Taikoo	Craigengower
W. Weir	W. B. Maikett
J. Whyte	M. A. Souza
J. Russell	C. Bennett
W. Wotherpoon	

27 R. Baga 20

J. Sloan F. J. Neves

W. Seath F. Fritz

G. Macleod C. M. Alves

N. Drummond 20 U. M. Omar

J. Ewing R. Luz

T. Grimes C. S. Rossetti

J. Muirhead E. d'Arcelli

G. Morrison 13 D. Rumbach

60 54

Majority for T.R.C. 6 shots.

Kowloon C.C. v. Civil Service C. C.

Kowloon Civil Service

Gorvyn Smith

Smith Roylands

Goodwin Hollidge

Gibson 15 Pendered 18

R. Abraham Laing

Overy Beattie

C. J. Tachi Oswick

Hill 30 Grimmit 21

Kern Keegan

Hirst Westlake

Hyde Maughan

Pile 19 Denkin 10

64 58

Majority for K.C.C. 6 shots.

Police R.C. v. Kowloon D.R.C.

Police Kowloon Dock

Buchanan Greig

Glendenning Neilson

Whunt Simpson

Moss 10 Cullen 29

Collins Atkinson

Condon Ramsay

Sword Lindsay

West 10 Brown 22

Greenwood Docherty

Marks Coleman

Reid McLagan

Muir 24 Gourlay 17

44 68

Majority for K.D.R.C. 24 shots.

DIVISION II.

Craigengower v. Taikoo R.C.

Craigengower Taikoo

Lely C. Young

Howard W. Warnock

Harteem J. Chalmers

Brightman 20 T. Young 21

Nicholson J. Richmond

A. B. Hanson D. Spiers

C. Rodrigues D. Munro

A. Kitchell 17 H. Dinnen 18

Y. Abbas H. Maxwell

A. Phillips F. Boyle

H. Beer D. Walsley

Knott 23 C. Matthews 25

60 64

Majority for T.R.C. 4 shots.

Civil Service C.C. v. K.C.C.

Civil Service Kowloon

Holdman Edwards

Jones Nash

Taylor Lyle

Alderman 20 Lammert 18

Strange Hamblin

Ross Harrison

Haynes Wragge

Brown 11 Herridge 30

Lucks Gittins

Plegg Lawrence

Arenbald Labrum

Massey 23 Davidson 15

54 63

Majority for K.C.C. 9 shots.

Recreio v. East Point R.C.

Recreio East Point

J. Ribeiro G. Shaw

A. V. Barros A. Webster

C. Marques R. Whiteford

A. Ribeiro 14 A. Hamilton 18

P. Yvanovich F. J. Samway

F. X. Silva R. W. Williamson

C. Silva R. McKellar

L. Souza 14 R. W. Lee 21

J. Ozorio S. Baker

A. H. Basto G. Vickers

H. E. Sequeira A. K. Henderson

J. Ribeiro 8 H. McTavish 29

36 68

Majority for E.P.R.C. 32 shots.

FRIENDLY MATCH.

1st XI v. 2nd XI

The first eleven of the Kowloon Bowling Green Club met the second eleven on Saturday and won by four shots.

Scores: Division I. Division II.

Maclellan Ferguson

Cameron Watson

Chapman McIntosh

Furrell 25 Wyllie 27

Dobbie Slipper

R. Duncan Ewens

Holland Budding

W. Macfarlane 28 Muir 26

Harvey Hale

McGill Rundle

Hazel Hatt

W. Russell 25 Warren 19

Total 76 72

Majority for Division I—4 shots.

PRIL AND COSTERS.

TOUR LODON STREET
MARKET.

Wom with babies in their arms, crumbers, and housewives shopping formed an escort of four the Prince of Wales to the Beresford Sale met on his way to visit the Royal Exhibition.

The Prince walked through narrow avenues of fruit and vegetables, old clothes and the other characteristic displays of a London street-market. A happy end to the day.

Women shed "Cheero, yer Royal Highness" a stillkeeper, with quip, "Capit wit, slapped a piece of let-a-bouted 'Ere yer sir, th' best o' prime in th' market'."

"He didn't see a straight banana, another stallholder, as he led a large bunch of fruit. Avoirdupois seller scattered a bag of blooms in the Prince's path."

All the way the Exhibition—the largest of its kind ever held in this country—the Prince was cheered by the of Woolwich people. He led a group of blind and deaf children from a local L.S. school, and the teachers said, "Here's the Prince," so they would know when to cheer. They cheered loudest of all.

At Exhibition. At the Port Street headquarters of the Royal Co-operative Society, the Prince found himself facing a soliphant of Woolwich's prettiest girls wedged on the stairs, smiled and bowed his homage.

At the sitting grounds a complete tour of the various buildings was made. The Prince's interest in housing attracted him to the stall where the Arsenal Co-operative Society are showing photographs of their Eastall Languish scheme.

In the Hat Industry he saw a model such as will be found in the memorial Hospital which is to be built at Shooter's Hill in memory of Woolwich men who fell in the Great War. The record includes three V.C.s, 21 D.S.O.s, and together 127 battle honours.

A mannequin parade was in progress in the dress section. Very charming girls, exquisitely dressed, were on view. People in the exhibit evidently expected the Prince to find this feature especially attractive.

But the Prince did not visit them, and the mannequins withdrew in silent disappointment.

His Royal Highness talked to a few of the stallholders, and although he made up his mind to give no autographs, he made an exception in favour of the daughter of the chairman of the Co-operative Society, who was keeping a chocolate stall, and her assistant.

COMULSORY
ARBITRATION.NORWEGIAN EMPLOYERS
ACCEPT NEW LAW.

As the result of the passage of the Bill establishing a compulsory arbitration act to deal with labour disputes, the National Association of Employers has decided immediately to call off the great lockout fifteen thousand men, declared the end of April and affecting, *inter alia*, saw mills, chemical and electro-chemical works. The workers' unions have not yet come to final decision.

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MADONNA "MIRACLE."

DROP OF WATER CAUSES
PROCESSION.

The popular streets of Naples witnessed a typical scene of South Italian superstition in mail week when large crowds carried in triumphal procession the oleograph of a Madonna from whose nose blood was believed miraculously to have spouted.

In the early morning an old woman named Anna Reale was massaging the shoulders of a woman friend suffering from rheumatism when her friend's eye caught sight of the oleograph on the wall, and she rose with a shout of excitement.

A large drop of blood, so the story goes, had suddenly fallen across the picture from the nose. The two women immediately threw themselves to the ground in an attitude of prayer, while the news of the miracle spread like wildfire, drawing huge crowds of ecstatic worshippers.

As the procession threatened to become tumultuous the police intervened, sequestrating the picture. Subsequent examination suggested that a drop of water from the ceiling had got behind the frame, and mixing with red paint, had caused the miraculous illusion.—*Manchester Guardian*.

JOBS FOR DISABLED.

BILLS TO MAKE EMPLOY-
MENT COMPULSORY.

Mr. Smedley Crooke asked leave to introduce a Bill into the House of Commons last month to make the employment of ex-service men disabled by wounds in the service of their King and country compulsory. He said the Bill would make it compulsory for public bodies and employers to employ a small quota of disabled men. The effect of the Bill would not be to discharge any men who were already employed. It meant only that when vacancies occurred, these disabled men should be employed up to a certain quota.

The good work of the King's Roll had been appreciated by all ex-service men and by the British Legion, but it had been shown that there were unpatriotic firms who placed business considerations before patriotism.

Some Government departments were not setting a good example. According to the latest obtainable figures, there were 3808 local authorities in England, Scotland, and Wales, and of this number 2279 were not on the King's Roll. The present voluntary system acted unfairly upon those firms which lived up to the spirit and letter of the Bill.

Leave was granted and the Bill was formally brought in and read a first time.

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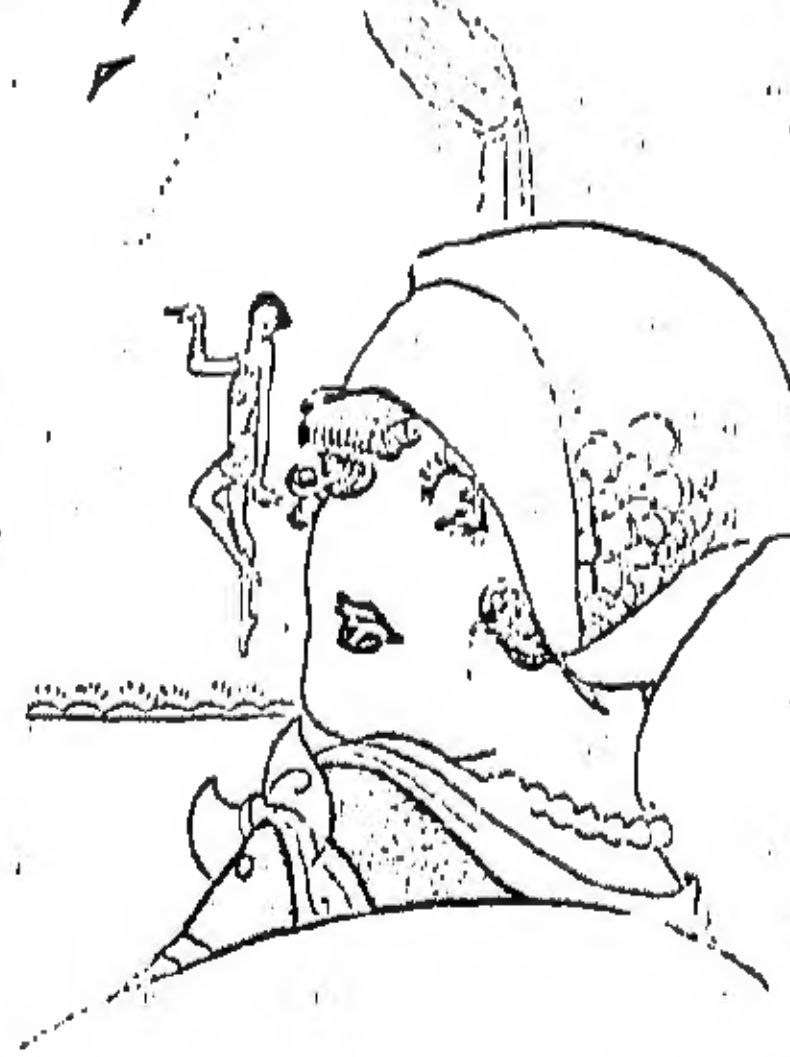
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SCHOOL SPORTS.

ENJOYABLE AFTERNOON AT CHEUNG CHOW.

On Saturday the annual sports of the Cheung Chau Government School were held, and the Island was honoured with a visit from the Colonial Secretary and Mrs. Southern and a host of other notabilities. The Cheung Chau Residents' Association, which has always taken a benevolent interest in all public matters within their little island, took the meeting under their wing and brought it to a very successful conclusion. Towards four o'clock, the Government visitors arrived on the Government launch Stanley. They included Hon. Mr. Southern and Mrs. Southern, Mr. E. Ralph, the Inspector of English Schools, Mr. Wynne Jones, the District Officer, of the New Territories (South), and Dr. Minnett. The visitors were received at the landing stage by the President of the Cheung Chau Residents' Association, Mr. A. C. Franklin, and the four *kai-fongs*, or village elders of the island.

Among the Cheung Chau residents present at the proceedings during the day were Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Franklin, and Mr. L. M. Whyte.

The Welcome.

Earlier, the Director of Education, Mr. A. E. Wood, had arrived to take charge of the meeting and with Sergeant Chester Woods and other residents was indefatigable in his efforts to bring about a successful and enjoyable afternoon.

Presiding over the proceedings at the conclusion of the sports, Mr. Ralph, on behalf of the residents and the children, welcomed the Colonial Secretary and Mrs. Southern to the island. He thanked Mrs. Southern in particular for her services in presenting the prizes. Referring to the presence of other visitors, Mr. Ralph spoke of the services rendered by the Director of Education who went there earlier in the day, taking with him no less than eight visiting teams gathered from various schools—the Yau-mat Government School, King's College, Queen's College, the United Government School, the Wanchai Gap Road School, Tai Po School and Ellis Kadoorie School. They had to acknowledge the presence of many ladies, amongst whom was Mrs. Alabaster.

The speaker bestowed on Mrs. Alabaster the compliment of being a *kai-fong*—of the island, by virtue of her long residence.

The Lord Mayor.

Speaking of Mr. Alabaster, Mr. Ralph said that he recalled the many queer ceremonies of a number of years back when Mr. Alabaster was installed as "Lord Mayor" of the Island. (Laughter.) Of the other members of the local Association, who were present and gave their services during the afternoon, Mr. Ralph also thanked Mr. Whyte and also the President for the use of the ground. Last but not least, they had to thank an official representative in the person of Mr. Wynne Jones, the District Officer of the South Territories, who had been kind enough to go over to the island to view the proceedings.

Continuing, Mr. Ralph said that he was glad to see the encouragingly large number of boys taking part in the sports and the interest taken in these as shown by the presence on the ground of the pupils of a girls' school. The attendance of the *kai-fongs* was also appreciated.

In conclusion Mr. Ralph thanked the Committee of the Association for the loan of the ground, the officials for all the help they had given, the subscribers and donors of the prize funds, and Sergeant Chester Woods his services.

Colonial Secretary's Reply.

The Colonial Secretary said that far from their feeling it a kindness to come to visit the island and its inhabitants, he and his wife considered it a great pleasure to be able to go to the very beautiful island and see the schools at play. He had always liked to go to these sports meetings, for one could then, from witnessing the spirit displayed in the sports, get a much better idea of the spirit of the school than one could by going to see them at their school-work. He detected a very keen spirit of sportsmanship during the afternoon in the few events he was able to witness. He was struck by sportsmanship such as was revealed in the relay race, where a boy might very easily have won, but lost the race through an accident, and yet there was a perfect spirit of sportsmanship after that. It seemed to him that they all enjoyed sports on their beautiful island, and of the fine physique thus produced, he had a revelation that afternoon. It was understood that the last race was to be a Bun Race, but the boys had become so hungry from running about so much that they had eaten the buns before the race, and it had to be cancelled. (Laughter.)

In conclusion, Mr. Southern congratulated all those concerned on their successful efforts, and thanked

SOUTH CHINA ATHLETICS.

YESTERDAY'S SPORTS.

The fifth annual sports meeting of the South China Athletic Association was held yesterday at the Hong-kong Football Club Ground, Happy Valley.

In the 5,000 metres Race, Leung Xing-luen secured his third consecutive win in three years, his time being 20 mins. 30 secs., which was 18 seconds longer than his record for 1925. The records for the 1500 metre dash of the last three years, also revealed one winner for all three meetings, this being Ng Tak-wing whose best effort in 1925, was 4 mins. 51 secs. as compared with the time of 4 mins. 53 secs. secured yesterday.

The Pentathlon group, comprising the 200 metres Dash, throwing the discus, running broad jump, throwing the javelin, and the 1500 metres race, resulted as follows:—1, Leung Mo-yung, with 1843 points; 2, Wong Pui-cheung, 1824½ points; 3, Leung Tsat-kwan, 1520½ points.

The results of the various events were as follows:

Pentathlon Group.

200 Metres Dash.—1, Leung Mo-yung, 25.15 seconds; 2, Leung Tsat-kwan, 25.25 seconds; 3, Wong Pui-cheung, 27 seconds.

Throwing the Discus.—1, Wong Pui-cheung, 29.1 metres; 2, Wong Tsat-kwan, 25 metres; 3, Leung Mo-yung, 23.5 metres.

Running Broad Jump.—1, Wong Pui-cheung, 5.28 metres; 2, Leung Mo-yung, 5.17 metres; 3, Leung Tsat-kwan, 4.89 metres.

Throwing the Javelin.—1, Leung Tsat-kwan, 33.25 metres; 2, Leung Mo-yung, 33.8 metres; 3, Wong Pui-cheung, 32.8 metres.

1,500 Metres.—1, Leung Mo-yung; 2, Wong Pui-cheung; 3, Leung Tsat-kwan. Times not given.

Other Events.

100 Metres Dash.—1, Wong Shiu-leung; 2, Chan Hau-leung; 3, U Sze-tsun. Time, 12.2/5 secs.

100 Metres Race for boys under 14 years.—1, Sze To-tak; 2, Wong Siu-pang; 3, Li Sik-lun. Time, 15 secs.

100 Metres High Hurdle.—1, Lam Yuk-ying; 2, Li Wai-choi; 3, Lam Pui.

100 Metres Handicap Flat Race for Members of over 35 years of age.—1, Hung Koon-chau; 2, Chan Tak-chiu.

800 Metres Flat Race.—1, Ng Tak-wing; 2, U Sze-tsun; 3, Fung Kwok-wa. Time, 2 mins. 18-4/5 secs.

800 Metres Relay for Boy Scouts.—1, 14th Troop; 2, 15th Troop.

200 Metres Dash.—1, Wong Shiu-leung; 2, Mak Kwok-chau; 3, Lam Yuk-ying. Time, 25 secs.

5,000 Metres Flat Race.—1, Leung Yung-leung; 2, Chan Pak-mai; 3, Wong Kam-wa. Time, 20 mins. 30 secs.

50 Metres Race for Ladies.—1, Miss Lai Po-yan; 2, Miss Mak Yim-tung; 3, Miss Chang Lai-yung.

200 Metres Low Hurdles.—1, Lau Mow; 2, Li Ping-tong; 3, U Sze-tsun. Time, 29-1/5 secs.

100 Metre Flat Race for Students of the S.C.A.—1, Wong Shiu-pun; 2, Hau Ching-toy; 3, Lai Wa-pai. Time, 16-1/5 secs.

400 Metres Flat Race.—1, Wong Shiu-leung; 2, Li Ping-tong; 3, Mak Kwok-chau. Time, 58-4/5 secs.

Threading the Needle Race. 400 Metres.—1, Mr. Chan and Miss Cheung; 2, Mr. Yick and Miss Yick; 3, Mr. Ng and Miss Kwok.

200 Metres Handicap Race for Members.—1, Lau Yuk-ying.

200 Metres Flat Open to the Colony.—1, Wong Shiu-leung; 2, A.E. Carvalho; 3, T. Hamet. Time, 24-3/5 secs.

1500 Metres Flat Race.—1, Ng Tak-wing; 2, Fung Kwok-wa; 3, Leung Yung-hin. Time, 4 mins. 50 secs.

100 Metres Race for Boy Scouts.—1, Ip Tak-wai; 2, Liu Wing-hong; 3, Wong Kee-leung.

100 Metres Flat Race for Officials.—1, Chung Chun-sung; 2, Fung Man-kit; 3, Shek Cheung-shan.

800 Metres Relay Race.—1, C.A.A. "A"; 2, C.A.A. "B".

High Jump.—1, Tang Ki-cheung; 2, Lam Pak; 3, Lau Tak-wong. Height, 1.545 metres.

Putting the Shot.—1, Ng Tin-lung; 2, Wong Nam-for; 3, Cho Ting-chan. Distance, 12-1/5 metres.

Kicking the Football.—1, Suen Kam-shun; 2, Lau Mow; 3, Chan U-tin. Distance, 147-1/2 feet.

Long Broad Jump.—1, To Kwun-chuen; 2, Cheung Tak-wing; 3, Wong Pui-cheung. Distance, 5.4 metres.

Throwing the Javelin.—1, Leung Tsat-kwan; 2, Chan Woon-lam; 3, Cho Ting-chan. Distance, 38.85 metres.

Pole Vaulting.—1, Suen Kuen; 2, U King-hoi; 3, Lo Tum. Height, 9½ feet.

Running Hop, Step and Jump.—Sze To Kwong; 2, Leung Mo-yung; 3, Lau Tak-wong. 11.85 metres.

At the conclusion of the sports, the prizes were distributed by the President of the South China Athletic Association, Mr. Mok Wing-yue.

In a brief speech prefacing the ceremony, the Secretary of the meet, Mr. Chang Chun-sang, appealed for a fine sense of sportsmanship, pointing out that their performance on the athletic field was not to be measured by the intrinsic value of the prizes. Mr. Hin Wong also followed with a few remarks on the value of sports and their importance nowadays in the life of the Chinese.

Mr. Ralph and the Headmaster of the Cheung Chau Government School, Mr. Hon Kau-fung, for the enjoyment provided. To mark the pleasure the sports had given him and his wife they had decided to present a prize to be contested for at next year's sports. (Applause.)

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ATLANTIC FLIGHT.

START OF SENSATIONAL RACE.

Paris, May 7. Captain Nungesser is sleeping beside his aeroplane at Le Bourget ready to embark on the first favourable morning to fly to New York.

The excitement in France for the war-time hero to start ahead of the Americans, Acosta and Lloyd Bertand, from New York is indicated by the fact that the French Air Service has decided for the present to withhold their forecasts owing to the non-receipt of a forecast from Washington.—*Reuter*.

What Can be Done.

Paris, May 7. A French military aeroplane has flown from Casablanca to Paris in a non-stop flight in 11 hours 45 minutes.—*Reuter*.

The Flight Commenced.

Paris, May 8. Capt. Nungesser started on his flight to America at 5.20 this morning.—*Reuter*.

Nungesser left the French coast at 6.43 flying northwest.—*Reuter*.

SUGAR IN JAPAN.

TENTATIVE AGREEMENT TO MAINTAIN PRICES.

Tokyo, May 7. A tentative agreement has been reached whereby Mitsui's, the Mitsu Bishi and two other companies will take over Suzuki's obligations to the Java Sugar Trust for orders valued approximately at 150,000,000 yen, thereby helping to maintain the present price of sugar on the Java market.

A reply from the Java Trust has not yet been received, but its consent is expected.—*Reuter*.

RELIGIOUS RIOTS.

ORDER AT LAHORE.

Lahore, May 8. The fierceness of recent riots is shown by the fact that eighteen were killed and nearly two hundred wounded. A hundred and fifty arrests were made.

In response to appeals most Mahomedans have reopened their shops, but the Hindus are still re-

MISSISSIPPI FLOODS.

WIDENING GAPS.

New York, May 7. Practically all North Eastern Louisiana is now under water. The rapid widening of gaps in the Mississippi embankments between Vicksburg and Natchez increased the difficulties of rescue work. In the North Eastern section there is some apprehension in regard to the safety of hundreds in that area. Over a score of towns are now flooded.—*Reuter's American Service*.

Earthquakes Too.

Memphis, May 8. Slight earth tremors added to the anxieties of residents of the flood centres at three this morning. Shocks are reported in half a dozen other towns within a hundred mile radius.—*Reuter's American Service*.

luctant. Normal activities, however, are expected shortly. The curfew order and intensive police patrolling having restored quiet.—*Reuter*.

RIOTS IN BOLIVIA.

POLICE AND TROOPS IN ACTION.

Santiago de Chile, May 7. The Chilean Minister for Bolivia reports that there have been serious disorders at La Paz, the police and troops being compelled to charge demonstrators outside Government buildings, several being wounded.—*Reuter's American Service*.

Martial Law.

A message from La Paz states that martial law has been proclaimed throughout Bolivia owing to the riots of students after a demonstration against the Government.

Wages of Professors.

Later. The non-payment of salaries of Professors of the National Faculty for three months was responsible for yesterday's rioting, resulting in two persons being killed and 40 wounded and the proclamation of martial law. Two thousand sympathetic students demonstrated in front of a

ACCEPTED A BRIBE.

FORMER DISTRICT ATTORNEY CONVICTED.

Shanghai, May 7. Leonard G. Husar, former U. S. District Attorney at Shanghai, was today found guilty by the U. S. Court for China of accepting a bribe of 34,000 taels in connexion with an opium deal. Sentence will be pronounced on Monday.—*Reuter*.

Husar was charged with accepting a bribe from A. M. Tracey Woodward, for handing over a bound volume of the hearing in which the U.S.A. appeared as plaintiffs against A. M. Tracey Woodward, in Bushire, Persia, where A. M. Tracey Woodward was engaged in opium transactions.

newspaper office, reinforcing their arguments for a students' strike with a shower of stones. Mounted police charged the crowd and arrested and deported five men. Subsequently the Professors were promised their back pay.—*Reuter's American Service*.

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SATURDAY'S RACING.

THE THIRD EXTRA
MEETING.

With excellent racing weather and the absence of serious counter attractions, there was a good attendance at the Third Extra Meeting of the Hongkong Jockey Club on Saturday. Disappointment awaited the backers of favourites however, for in nine of the ten races on the card the favourite was beaten, in some cases decisively, but always to the intensification of the thrill which is inseparable from the sport. Dividends were consequently high.

Of the Jockeys, Mr. G. U. da Roza was the most successful, his passing the post in the leading place twice, three times in second place and once in third place. Mr. T. L. Wong followed him closely, with two firsts, a second and three thirds, while the best of the British contingent was Mr. L. Reidy with two firsts and a second.

The Dyer and Beth ponies got two firsts and a second, and Messrs. Hall and Shenton, although failing with Saligia in the Aggregate Stakes, managed to notch two firsts and two thirds, while three thirds fell to Mr. Eve when better things were expected.

An extraordinary dividend of \$180 for a win was paid in the Empire Handicap "B," when San Diego, the rank outsider, came home, with the second and third favourites passing the post in that order and the pick of the public, Grey Knight, unplaced.

The best race of the day was undoubtedly the Dominion Plate for which there were four entries. With the field running the whole mile almost neck and neck Gezeer got the race in the last 50 yards by a length from Salvo, who beat the two deadheaters for third, August and Pottenbush, by a head, the field finishing inside a length and a half.

The band of the Second Battalion K.O.S.B. by the kind permission of Lieut-Colonel J. L. Conyn, C.M.G., D.S.O. and officers, rendered a pleasing programme of music between races, one of the most popular items being the now celebrated "Froth-blowers' Anthem."

The bookmaker again took up his stand close to the high road and the first two, and appeared to be doing good business.

The results were: Five furlongs—for China ponies. Weight for inches as per scale.

Messrs. Hall and Shenton's The Goblin, (Mr. Pollock) 1
Mr. Dynasty's King of the Plains (Mr. G. U. da Roza) 2
Mr. Yam Man's Dick Lo (Mr. Wong) 3

Also ran: Grande del Norte, (Mr. Stanton); Loongwa, (Mr. Chan); September, (Mr. Bulteel).
Time: 1 min. 16.3/5 secs.
Pari-mutuel.—Winner \$7.30; Places \$5.10, \$5.30, \$5.60.

Betting.	Win Place
The Goblin	480 477
King of the Plains	152 237
Dick Lo	71 136
Grande del Norte	36 50
September	22 47
Loongwa	21 54

Commonwealth Handicap: "C" class: six furlongs—for China ponies. Messrs. Dyer and Beth's Loch Rennoch, (Mr. Reidy) 1
Mr. Dynasty's King of the Plains (Mr. G. U. da Roza) 2
Mr. K. H.'s Easter Day, (Mr. Wong) 3

Also ran: Valeur, (Mr. Chan); Scooter, (Mr. Bulteel); Vincent, (Mr. McGown); The Sandpiper, (Mr. F. Roza); Furze, (Mr. Bulteel); Plum Pudding, (Mr. Stanton); Cra, (owner).
4 lengths; 2 lengths.
Time: 1 min. 35.3/5 secs.
Pari-mutuel.—Winner \$50.70; Places \$8.70, \$5.80, \$5.00.

Betting.	Win Place
King Alan	319 495
Easter Day	315 387
Scooter	109 212
Loch Rennoch	78 106
Valeur	21 58
Vincent	18 15
The Sandpiper	17 28
Furze	11 23
Cra	9 22
Plum Pudding	5 19

Commonwealth Handicap: "B" class: six furlongs—for China ponies. Mr. Hau-un's Little Sit Tang, (late Romeo, late Flash) (Mr. Wong) 1
Mrs. R. J. Paterson's The Regent, (Mr. Bulteel) 2
Mrs. Bernard's Barley Grass, (Mr. G. U. da Roza) 3

Also ran: Laceda II, (Mr. Chan); Dobbin, (Mr. Abel-Smith); Tangle, (Mr. Reidy); Sunburst Rose, (Mr. McGown); Bright Eve, (Mr. Stanton).
1/2 length; 1 1/2 lengths.
Time: 1 min. 35.3/5 secs.
Pari-mutuel.—Winner \$30.70; Places \$10.10, \$33.00, \$13.30.

Betting.	Win Place
Tangle	389 584
Sunburst Rose	171 122
Little Sit Tang	106 263
Barley Grass	108 140
Bright Eve	74 70
Dobbin	47 49
The Regent	18 48
Laceda II	16 43

Third Aggregate Stakes: One Mile.—Value \$500. For all China ponies. Catch weights at 10 st. 9 lbs.

Mr. Luen Yick's Macno Beauty (Mr. Wong) 1
Mr. R. M. Austin's Brigade Call (Mr. G. U. da Roza) 2
Mr. K. Ho's Baccarat, (Mr. Chan) 3

Also ran: Ukelele, (Mr. Bulteel); Saligia, (Mr. Pollock).
1/2 length; 3 lengths.
Time: 2 mins. 06.4/5 secs.
Pari-mutuel.—Winner \$22.80; Places \$9.60, \$17.30.

Betting.	Win Place
Saligia	618 297
Macno Beauty	252 234
Ukelele	264 173
Brigade Call	146 89
Baccarat	79 64

K.O.S.B. Subalterns' Cup: four furlongs—for China ponies the private property of Subalterns, 2nd Battalion, the King's Own Scottish Borderers. To be ridden by officers of the regiment. Catchweights 108 lbs.

Mr. W. G. Mattingley's Stripes 1
Lt. J. B. A. Hanley's Saracen 2
Lt. J. D. Welch's Rum Row 3

Also ran: Lt. H. A. Kelly's Pessimist, Lt. J. G. Shillington's Mush Mush, 2nd Lt. A. B. S. Clarke's Rivergrass, Lt. A. H. MacLaine's Shot III.
4 lengths; 6 lengths.
Time: 1 min. 03 secs.
Pari-mutuel.—Winner \$21.30; Places \$6.70, \$6.00, \$9.00.

Betting.	Win Place
Saracen	307 235
Stripes	157 106
Rivergrass	63 82
Rum Row	60 60
Pessimist	58 60
Shot III	50 62
Mush Mush	45 50

Commonwealth Handicap: "A" class: six furlongs—for China ponies. Mr. Dynasty's King of the Plains (Mr. G. U. da Roza) 1
Mr. Eve's Battle Eve, (Mr. Stanton) 2
Mr. R. M. Austin's Home Call, (Mr. Pollock) 3

Also ran: Total Abstinence, (Mr. Reidy); Leaf, (late Four-Nought-Three), (Mr. Bulteel); Papyrus, (Mr. Wong); Dick Lo, (Mr. Chan).
1 1/2 lengths; short head.
Time: 1 min. 34 secs.
Pari-mutuel.—Winner \$24.40; Places \$10.00, \$10.80, \$8.80.

Betting.	Win Place
Papyrus	401 305
King of the Plains	234 189
Total Abstinence	232 156
Home Call	216 312
Battle Eve	112 164
Leaf	43 61
Dick Lo	31 68

Empire Handicap: "B" class: one and a quarter miles—for China ponies.

Messrs. Stanton and Reidy's San Diego, (Mr. Stanton) 1
Messrs. Dyer and Beth's Loch Tummel, (Mr. Reidy) 2
Union Plate: six furlongs.—Mr. K. H.'s Laceda II, (Mr. Wong) 3

Also ran: Grande del Norte, (Mr. Bulteel); Espoir, (Mr. Sewell); Grey Knight, (Mr. Pollock); Easter Day, (Mr. Chan).
1 1/2 lengths; a neck.
Time: 2 mins. 45 secs.
Pari-mutuel.—Winner \$180.50; Places \$19.50, \$38.30, \$9.30.

Betting.	Win Place
Grey Knight	435 479
Loch Tummel	385 323
Laceda II	213 247
Grande del Norte	94 111
Easter Day	90 112
Espoir	74 90
San Diego	33 74

Union Plate: Six furlongs—for China ponies, subscription griffins of this season that have not won more than one official race.

Mr. Ho Kom Tong's Kom Tong Hall, (Mr. G. U. da Roza) 1
Mr. Eve's Festive Eve, (Mr. Chan) 2
Messrs. Hall and Shenton's The Grig, (Mr. Pollock) 3

Also ran: Fire Call, (Mr. Sewell); Plum Pudding, (Mr. Reidy); Scooter, (Mr. Bulteel); Sugar Leaf, (Mr. Wong); Bing Boy, (Mr. Stanton).
Short head; 3 lengths.
Time: 1 min. 36 secs.
Pari-mutuel.—Winner \$22.60; Places \$7.30, \$12.60, \$6.60.

Betting.	Win Place
The Grig	503 395
Kom Tong Hall	237 249
Bing Boy	200 220
Scooter	91 107
Sugar Leaf	65 33
Festive Eve	50 78
Fire Call	25 31
Plum Pudding	21 18

Dominion Plate: one mile—for China ponies, subscription griffins of any season, and non-winning griffins of this season.

Messrs. Hall and Shenton's The Gezeer, (Mr. Sewell) 1
Mr. H. P. White's Salvo, (Mr. Wong) 2
Mrs. R. M. Austin's Pottenbush, (Mr. Pollock) 3

Also ran: Flash Star, (Mr. Sewell); Leaf, (late Four-Nought-Three), (Mr. Chan); King of the Plains, (Mr. G. U. da Roza); Dragon Boat, (Mr. Wong).
1/2 length; 1/2 length.
Time: 2 mins. 13 secs.
Pari-mutuel.—Winner \$16.30; Places \$10.80, \$10.40.

Betting.	Win Place
Pottenbush	495 304
The Gezeer	338 148
August	252 109
Salvo	151 70

Empire Handicap: "A" class: one and a quarter miles—for China ponies.

Messrs. Dyer and Beth's Total Abstinence, (Mr. Reidy) 1
Mr. Eve's Minty Eve, (Mr. Stanton) 2
Messrs. Hall and Shenton's The Gornell, (Mr. Pollock) 3

Also ran: Flash Star, (Mr. Sewell); Leaf, (late Four-Nought-Three), (Mr. Chan); King of the Plains, (Mr. G. U. da Roza); Dragon Boat, (Mr. Wong).
1/2 length; 1/2 length.
Time: 2 mins. 43.3/5 secs.
Pari-mutuel.—Winner \$53.70; Places \$11.80, \$11.80, \$8.60.

GOLF.

KOWLOONITES AGAIN BEAT
VALLEY PLAYERS.

The junior section at Happy Valley was again trounced by the Kowloon Golf Club in the return match played at Happy Valley yesterday. The previous match having been played at the Kowloon City Golf course a fortnight ago, the Kowloon players won the first match by the margin of 14 1/2 points.

Yesterday the Kowloon representatives again showed their superiority, winning by a slightly bigger margin. The difference on the day's play was 16 points, representing 18 individual victories. Whereas last time there were four matches drawn, yesterday only one game ended up all square, W. Davies and G. McLeod claiming one point from J. O. McLaggan and S. Gray.

The full results were:

Singles.	
Kowloon G. C. Junior Section.	W. McKay 1
J. D. Thomson	C. B. Robert-son
F. E. Remedios 1 1/4	R. Campbell 1 1/4
A. W. da Roza	J. Laing 1 1/4
E. T. Andrews	R. C. Wallace
E. D. da Roza 1	E. E. Booker 1 1/4
J. C. Thomson 1 1/4	G. B. Slipp 1 1/4
H. W. Page 1	P. Morrison 1 1/4
J. O. McLaggan 1	W. G. Davies 1 1/4
S. Gray 1 1/4	G. McLeod 1 1/4
S. Hewkin	F. Glover 1
H. Overy 1 1/4	W. Pryde 1
S. H. Stewart	J. McBride 1
W. J. Carroll 1 1/4	berg
F. X. Remedios 1 1/4	T. Young
A. W. Roberts 1 1/4	A. Brooks
	12 1/2 5 1/2

Foursomes K.G.C. J.S.	
J. D. Thomson and F. E. Remedios	2
W. McKay and C. B. Robertson	1 1/2
A. W. da Roza and E. T. Andrews	2
R. Campbell and J. Laing	2
E. D. da Roza and J. C. Thomson	2
R. C. Wallace and F. E. Booker	1 1/2
G. B. Slipp and H. W. Page	2
P. Morrison and J. D. Perry	2
J. O. McLaggan and S. Gray	1
W. Davies and G. McLeod	1
S. Hewkin and H. Overy	2
E. F. Glover and W. Pryde	2
H. Stewart and W. J. Carroll	2
J. McBride and A. Goldenberg	2
F. X. Remedios and A. W. Robert	2
T. Young and A. Brooks	2
	13 4

Betting.	Win Places
Dragon Boat	388 329
The Gornell	355 238
King of the Plains	253 193
Misty Eve	223 183
Total Abstinence	125 124
Flash Star	103 75
Leaf	37 24

CASH SWEEPS.

Winning Tickets For all
Races.

TRIPLE NUMBERS.

Following are the numbers drawn in the Cash Sweeps. Once more it will be noticed that the triple numbers have had a run of luck, with 222, 333 and 444 appearing in the returns, while the sequences 234 and 432 have also taken a share of the money.

Race I.	
Ticket No. 105	\$924.70
" " 395	254.20
" " 114	132.10
\$50 Tickets: 199, 68, 57.	
Race II.	
Ticket No. 178	\$1,241.80
" " 98	354.80
" " 398	177.40
\$50 Tickets: 414, 427, 39, 225, 212, 369.	
Race III.	
Ticket No. 96	\$1,598.10
" " 490	456.00
" " 47	228.30
\$50 Tickets: 524, 110, 148, 136, 41.	
Race IV.	
Ticket No. 265	\$3,343.90
" " 307	965.40
" " 89	477.70
\$100 Tickets: 48, 68.	
Race IVA.	
Ticket No. 234	\$1,605.10
" " 256	458.60
" " 333	222.30
\$50 Tickets: 194, 296, 314, 515.	
Race V.	
Ticket No. 310	\$1,724.80
" " 476	492.80
" " 376	246.40
\$50 Tickets: 486, 595, 432, 405.	
Race VI.	
Ticket No. 267	\$1,661.80
" " 493	474.80
" " 269	237.40
\$50 Tickets: 397, 247, 444, 441.	
Race VII.	
Ticket No. 266	\$1,642.20
" " 400	469.20
" " 364	234.60
\$50 Tickets: 104, 649, 17, 416, 184.	
Race VIII.	
Ticket No. 80	\$1,647.10
" " 62	470.60
" " 323	142.65
" " 258	142.65
(dead heat).	
Race IX.	
Ticket No. 275	\$1,708.75
" " 548	468.20
" " 222	244.10
\$50 Tickets: 97, 131, 78, 29.	

LEAGUE TENNIS.

CHINESE SCORE THREE
VICTORIES.

The weather was far from being ideal for tennis on Saturday, but although there was a strong wind blowing throughout the afternoon most of the matches down for decision were played. Four games were postponed on account of the grounds being still wet from Friday's heavy downpour.

The Chinese R.C. played the Hongkong C.C. in all three divisions and secured all round victories, losing only seven matches out of 27 played, and scoring 192 games against 105. The Indian R.C. gained narrow wins against Kowloon, gaining by only seven games in the A Division and 13 in the B. The Nippon Club also scored double victories, the victims being the United Services and the Kowloon C.C.

The full results were:

"A" DIVISION.	
Chinese v Hongkong C. C.	On their own ground, Chinese R.C. defeated Hongkong C.C. by 23 games. Scores: Ng Sze-chung and M. K. Lo beat S. E. Green and H. Owen Hughes, 6-5; lost to G. Miskin and W. B. Cornaby, 6-5; beat A. Brearley and R. M. Henderson, 7-4.
Chinese v Indian R. C.	Ng Sze-chung and M. W. Lo beat Green and Owen Hughes, 7-4; beat Miskin and Cornaby, 10-11; beat Brearley and Henderson, 8-3.
Chinese v Nippon Club	Yew Man-tung and Yew Man-Kit beat Green and Owen Hughes, 7-4; beat Miskin and Cornaby, 6-5; lost to Brearley and Henderson, 5-6.
Total: Chinese 61, Hongkong C.C. 38.	

Kowloon C. C. v Indians. On the Kowloon C.C. ground, the home team lost to Indian R.C. by 7 games. Scores: E. C. Fincher and L. Jack beat S. H. Ismail and S. A. Hussain, 7-4; beat J. A. Cassumbhoy and I. M. Razack, 7-4; lost to E. D. Rumjahn and S. A. Rumjahn, 4-7.

E. F. Fincher and C. H. Atkins lost to Ismail and Hussain, 4-7; beat Cassumbhoy and Razack, 7-4; lost to Rumjahn and Rumjahn, 1-10.

W. Hyde and C. E. Millard lost to Ismail and Hussain, 4-7; beat Cassumbhoy and Razack, 7-4; lost to Rumjahn and Rumjahn, 5-6.

Total: Kowloon C.C. 48, Indian R.C. 53.

University v U. S. R. C. At Pokfulam, the University defeated United Services R.C. by 19 games. Scores:

T. W. Chong and A. A. Rumjahn lost to Stevenson and Howard, 3-5; beat Healing and Dale, 6-3; beat Wright and Webb, 7-4.

F. A. Rodmond and L. Forster lost to Stevenson and Howard, 5-6; beat Healing and Dale, 7-4; beat Wright and Webb, 7-4.

H. C. Hung and P. C. Lim beat Stevenson and Howard, 9-2; beat Healing and Dale, 6-5; beat Wright and Webb, 7-4.

Total: University 59, U.S.R.C. 40.

"B" DIVISION. Chinese v Hongkong C. C. At Causeway Bay, Chinese R.C. defeated Hongkong C.C. by 11 games. Scores:

C. Chen and H. Lo beat H. J. Armstrong and

THE WORLD OF SPORT

V.R.C. BOXING.

CONCLUSION OF NOVICE TOURNAMENT.

The final contests in the V.R.C. amateur boxing competition were staged on Saturday night when the novices provided many interesting contests. The one disappointing feature of the competition was the scoreless fight between Leading Seaman Baker and Seaman Hall. This was billed as a special ten round contest, but proved a tame affair. The referee intervened and stopped the fight after the first round. Results of the novice contest were as follows:

Lightweights (Men).

Pte. Hume, (K.O.S.B.) knocked out L. Cpl. Dewbury (Cameronians) in the first round. Dewbury had to be carried out of the ring.

Bantamweights (Boys).

R. Fernandez beat Wong Sik Hon on points. Both boys showed excellent pluck and returned blow for blow with vigour.

Lightweights (Boys).

F. Anslow beat C. Rocha on points, scoring mainly by his attack and repeatedly piercing Rocha's poor guard.

Bantamweights (Men).

A. B. Rowland (Frobisher) met A. B. Kirkhead (Frobisher) and won on points. The winner was more scientific and scored freely with left jab.

Heavyweights (Boys).

The fight between V. Fernandez and N. E. McKay proved the best of the evening. The former gained a popular decision. He showed excellent ringcraft, and although sent to the boards once he gave more punishment than he received.

Middleweights (Boys).

C. Giron was far too big for H. Jolly and the referee stopped the contest after the first round.

Welterweights (Men).

A. B. Green (Frobisher) won on points against Pte. Carney (K.O.S.B.).

Middleweights (Men).

L. Cpl. Day (Cameronians) knocked out Pte. Smith (K.O.S.B.) in the first round.

Heavyweights (Men).

L. Cpl. Wallace (Cameronians) beat Pte. Rice of the same regiment on points in an uninteresting contest.

Featherweights (Men).

A. B. Macquie (Dragon) beat L. Cpl. Johnson (Cameronians) on points. The men provided an excellent display of boxing which delighted the spectators. Prizes to the winners and runners-up were distributed by Mr. R. M. Dyer at the conclusion of the tournament.

EXHIBITION TENNIS.

MATCHES ON WEDNESDAY.

The following exhibition matches will be played in aid of the funds of the Hongkong Women's Guild and Ministering Children's League on Wednesday, at 4 p.m. Miss Enid Lo and Mr. M. K. Lo v. Mrs. Tottenham and Major Lucas, R.A.M.C. Colonel Russell-Brown and Dr. Tottenham v. Messrs. S. A. Rumjahn and H. D. Rumjahn. Admission for these exhibition matches will be \$1, tickets for the stand being obtainable at Messrs. Andersons and Messrs. Moutrie. A limited number of chairs at 50 cents will be available. The Guild and League distributed \$14,000 among service and civil charities last year and it is hoped that there will be a large attendance at the interesting tennis contests arranged so that the Guild and League may continue their good work.

DAVIS CUP TENNIS.

CZECHOSLOVAKIA BEATS GREECE.

Prague, May 8. Playing in the Davis Cup, Czechoslovakia beat Greece, by four matches to one.—*Reuter*.

HOME FOOTBALL.

PORTSMOUTH GAINS PROMOTION.

The feature of the final English League matches played on Saturday was the sensational effort made by Manchester City to gain promotion. The problem was one merely of goal average and playing at home to Bradford City they rattled up eight goals without reply. Meanwhile their rivals, Portsmouth, defeated Preston North End by five goals to one and by the merest fraction earned the right to compete in Division I next season.

The final records of the two clubs read: Portsmouth, P. W. D. L. F. A. Pts. Manchester City, 42 23 7 10 101 64. The averages work out as follows: Portsmouth 1.775 goals to 1; Manchester City 1.770 goals to 1; a margin of 5-100th of a goal. There were many surprises. Tottenham Hotspur were defeated by four clear goals before their supporters by the Arsenal, Newcastle suffered defeat at Leicester, Notts Forest lost at home to Port Vale, Clapton Orient avoided relegation by defeating Reading at Reading. Two Northern teams, Bradford City and Darlington are relegated from the Second Division, their places being taken by Stoke City and Bristol City.

Aberdeen and Watford in Division III (South) and Accrington and Barrow in Division III (North) will need to seek re-election. Plymouth Argyle were runners-up for the sixth consecutive season in the Southern Section. The full results as cable by *Reuter*, are appended:

Division I.

Birmingham	2	Sheffield Un.	3
Blackburn	1	Cardiff	0
Bury	1	Derby C.	2
Huddersfield	0	Aston Villa	0
Leicester	2	Newcastle	1
Walsley	1	Leeds United	0
Tottenham	0	The Arsenal	4
West Brom. A.	0	Manchester U.	2
West Ham	3	Liverpool	3

Newcastle	42	25	6	11	96	58.66
Huddersfield	42	18	16	8	76	59.52
Sunderland	42	21	7	14	98	70.49
Bolton	42	19	10	13	84	62.48
Burnley	42	19	9	14	91	70.47
West Ham	42	19	8	15	86	70.46
Leicester	42	17	12	13	85	70.46
Sheffield Un.	42	17	10	15	74	66.44
Liverpool	42	18	7	17	69	61.43
Aston Villa	42	18	7	17	81	63.43
Arsenal	42	17	9	16	77	61.43
Tottenham	42	16	9	17	76	78.41
Cardiff	42	16	9	17	55	65.41
Derby	42	17	6	19	85	73.40
Manch. U.	42	13	14	15	52	64.40
Wednesday	42	15	9	18	75	62.39
Birmingham	42	17	4	21	64	73.38
Blackburn	42	15	8	19	77	66.38
Bury	42	12	12	18	68	77.36
Everton	42	12	10	20	64	90.34
Leeds Un.	42	11	8	23	69	88.30
West Brom.	42	11	8	23	65	86.30

Division II.

Barnsley	5	Southampton	1
Blackpool	0	Notts County	0
Darlington	2	Chelms	2
Fulham	3	Hull City	1
Grimsby	6	Wolves	0
Manchester C.	8	Bradford C.	0
Notts Forest	0	Port Vale	3
Oldham	3	South Shields	2
Portsmouth	5	Preston N.E.	1
Reading	0	Clapton O.	1
Swansea	0	Middlesbrough	1

Middlesbrough	42	27	8	7	132	60.62
Portsmouth	42	23	8	11	87	49.54
Manch. City	42	22	10	10	108	61.54
Chelsea	42	20	12	10	82	52.52
Notts P.	42	18	14	10	80	55.50
Preston	42	20	9	13	74	72.49
Hull City	42	20	7	15	63	52.47
Port Vale	42	16	13	13	88	78.45
Blackpool	42	18	8	16	95	80.44
Oldham	42	19	6	17	74	84.44
Barnsley	42	17	9	16	88	87.43
Swansea	42	16	11	15	68	72.43
Southampton	42	15	12	15	60	62.42
Reading	42	16	8	18	64	72.40
Wolves	42	14	7	21	74	75.35
Notts County	42	15	5	22	70	96.35
Grimsby	42	11	12	19	74	91.34
Fulham	42	13	8	21	58	93.34
Sh. Shields	42	11	10	21	71	96.33
Clapton	42	12	7	23	60	96.31
Darlington	42	12	6	24	79	98.30
Bradford C.	42	7	9	26	50	98.23

Division III (South).

Aberdare	2	Brighton	2
Bournemouth	3	Southend	0
Bristol City	3	Merthyr	0
Charlton	1	Exeter City	0
Coventry	2	Bristol R.	0
Crystal Pal.	1	Millwall	0
Gillingham	0	Norwich	0
Newport	0	Swindon	0
Plymouth	1	Q. P. Rangers	0
Watford	0	Brentford	0

Bristol C.	42	27	8	7	104	54.62
Plymouth	42	25	10	7	95	61.60
Millwall	42	23	10	9	89	51.56
Brighton	42	21	11	7	79	50.53
Swindon	42	21	9	12	100	85.51
Crystal Pal.	42	18	9	15	84	81.45
Bournemouth	42	18	8	16	78	66.44
Luton	42	15	14	13	68	66.44
Newport	42	19	6	17	57	71.44
Bristol R.	42	16	9	17	78	80.41
Bromford	42	13	14	15	70	64.40
Exeter	42	15	10	17	76	73.40
Charlton	42	16	8	18	60	61.40
Q. P. R.	42	15	9	18	65	71.39
Coventry	42	15	7	20	71	86.37
Norwich	42	12	11	19	59	61.35
Merthyr	42	13	9	20	63	81.35
Norwich	42	15	5	22	59	86.35
Southend	42	14	6	22	64	77.34

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AMERICAN BASEBALL.

RESULTS OF THE MAJOR LEAGUES.

The full results of last week's matches in the American and National Baseball Leagues are as follows:

April 30:	
New York 8, Boston 7.	
Brooklyn 2, Philadelphia 1.	
Pittsburgh 4, Chicago 5.	
St. Louis 8, Cincinnati 9.	
May 1:	
Brooklyn 4, New York 3.	
Chicago 6, Pittsburgh 7.	
St. Louis 12, Cincinnati 4.	
May 2:	
New York 7, Brooklyn 10.	
May 3:	
Brooklyn 6, Brooklyn 7.	
Boston 7, Philadelphia 4.	
Pittsburgh 11, St. Louis 10.	
Chicago 4, Cincinnati 3.	
May 4:	
New York 4, Brooklyn 3.	
Pittsburgh 3, St. Louis 8.	
Chicago 13, Cincinnati 9.	
May 5:	
New York 4, Brooklyn 1.	
Pittsburgh 2, St. Louis 4.	
May 6:	
Boston 3, Cincinnati 5.	

April 30:	
Boston 3, New York 2.	
Detroit 2, Cleveland 6.	
Chicago 2, St. Louis 0.	
May 1:	
New York 7, Philadelphia 3.	
Washington 6, Boston 0.	
Detroit 7, Cleveland 0.	
Chicago 7, St. Louis 6.	
May 2:	
Washington 6, New York 0.	
Philadelphia 6, Boston 5.	
St. Louis 7, Cleveland 6.	
Detroit 1, Chicago 3.	
May 3:	
Washington 4, New York 6.	
Philadelphia 7, Boston 2.	
Detroit 6, Chicago 1.	
St. Louis 3, Cleveland 5.	
May 4:	
Washington 7, New York 4.	
Detroit 5, Chicago 11.	
St. Louis 13, Cleveland 3.	
May 5:	
Washington 6, New York 1.	
Philadelphia 4, Boston 3.	
Detroit 3, Chicago 2.	

Gillingham	42	11	10	21	53	72.32
Watford	42	12	8	22	57	87.32
Aberdare	42	9	7	26	62	101.25

Division III (North).			
33	Ashington	4	Southport
31	Bradford	6	Accrington
30	Chesterfield	2	Rochdale
23	Doncaster	7	Barrow
2	Nelson	0	Tranmere
0	New Brighton	0	Stockport
0	Rotherham	2	Lincoln
0	Stoke	5	Hullfax
2	Walsall	1	Durham
6	Wigan	2	Crawley Alex.
2	Wrexham	4	Hartlepool

Stoke	42	27	9	6	92	38.63
Rochdale	42	26	6	10	105	65.58
Bradford	42	24	7	11	101	58.55
Halifax	42	21	11	10	70	53.53
Nelson	42	23	7	13	104	75.51
Stockport	42	22	7	13	94	69.49
Chesterfield	42	21	5	16	92	68.47
Doncaster	42	18	11	13	81	65.47
Tranmere	42	19	8	15	85	67.46
N. Brighton	42	18	10	14	79	67.46
Lincoln	42	15	12	15	90	78.42
Southport	42	15	9	18	80	85.39
Wrexham	42	14	10	18	65	73.38
Walsall	42	14	10	18	68	81.38
Crowe	42	14	9	19	71	81.37
Ashington	42	12	12	18	60	90.36
Hartlepool	42	14	6	22	66	81.34
Wigan	42	11	10	21	66	84.32
Rotherham	42	10	12	20	70	92.32
Durham	42	12	6	24	58	105.30
Accrington	42	10	7	25	63	98.27
Barrow	42	7	8	27	34	117.22

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YACHTING.

H.M.S. FROBISHER'S VICTORY.

Although the official season of the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club has concluded, there was a race for service boats on Saturday for which seven competitors turned out. H.M.S. Frobisher sending four representatives.

The course was from the Club to Lyman Beacon (port), Channel Buss (st), Kowloon Rock (p), finish at the Club.

The galley sailed by P.O. Caunter, from the Frobisher, was the first over the line, but it had to concede the premier position to the first cutter from the same ship on corrected time, P. O. Caunter taking second place with Lt. Com. Drinkwater, whose whaler dead-headed with the Frobisher galley.

The details are as follows:

P.O. Lee (1)	1.46.30	1.32.30
P.O. Caunter (2)	1.34.30	1.34.40
Lt. Comdr. Drinkwater (2)	1.48.30	1.34.30
Eng. Comdr. Marshall (4)	1.51.45	1.35.45
Ldg. Seaman Keeling	1.57.00	1.43.00

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June 1	Seattle	Lothian	July 2	C'burg 8 h.m.p.m. July 8
June 7	San Francisco	Olympic	July 9	C'burg 8 h.m.p.m. July 15
June 15	Seattle	Geo. Washington	July 13	P'mth-C'burg July 21
June 21	San Francisco	Romantic	July 23	C'burg 8 h.m.p.m. July 29
June 28	Seattle	Lothian	Aug. 1	P'mth-C'burg Aug. 7
July 5	San Francisco	Majestic	Aug. 6	C'burg 8 h.m.p.m. Aug. 12
July 13	Seattle	Berengaria	Aug. 10	C'burg 8 h.m.p.m. Aug. 16
July 19	San Francisco	Lothian	Aug. 20	P'mth-C'burg Aug. 26
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EMPEROR OF ASIA	July 13	July 16	July 19	July 22	July 25
EMPEROR OF CANADA	Aug. 3	Aug. 6	Aug. 9	Aug. 12	Aug. 15
EMPEROR OF RUSSIA	Aug. 24	Aug. 27	Aug. 30	Sept. 2	Sept. 5
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OBITUARY.

DEATH OF HUDSON MAXIM.

New York, May 7.

The death is announced of Mr. Hudson Maxim, the well-known inventor and explosives expert.

Reuter's American Service.

Hudson Maxim was born on February 3rd, 1853, was educated at the Wesleyan Seminary, Kent's Hill, Me., and held the degrees of D.Sc., Heidelberg, 1913, and LL.D. St. Peter's, 1918. He was twice married, first to a Pittsfield, Mass., lady and then in London in 1896. He was in the printing and subscription publicity business in Pittsfield, but later began to interest himself in ordnance and explosives.

Maxim was the first to make smokeless powder in the United States and to submit samples to the United States Government for trial. He built at Maxim (named after him), N.J., in 1890 a dynamite factory and smokeless powder

mill, and seven years later sold his inventions to a company, of which he was made consulting engineer.

In 1901 he sold to the United States Government a formula of "Maximite," the first high explosive to be fired through heavy armour plate and then perfected "Stabilite," a smokeless powder producing much better ballistic results than any other. Maxim was the inventor of the U.S. service

detonating fuse for high explosive armour-piercing projectiles, of "motorite," a new self-combustible material for driving automobile torpedoes of process and apparatus for manufacturing multi-perforated powder grains, etc.

He was the author of "The Science of Poetry and the Philosophy of Language, 1910; Defenceless America, 1916 and Dynamite Stories, 1916; He was a Past President of the Pan-American States Association and of the Aeronautical Society of New York, a member of the Military Service Institution, of the Society of Arts and Sciences and of the Naval Consulting Board.

THE WATER SUPPLY.

A BIG INCREASE IN CONSUMPTION.

The amount of water in storage in the reservoirs on the island and Kowloon is a little less than a year ago. Hongkong reservoirs contained 1,300.29 million gallons on May 1st, as against 1,261.59 million gallons on the same day last year, whilst in Kowloon the figures are 253.93 and 308.68 million gallons respectively.

Tyam Tuk, the largest reservoir of the six on the island, is about the only one showing an increase over last year. On the first of this month, Tyam Tuk held 820 million gallons, which is nearly 150 million gallons more than at the same time a year ago. Tyam contains 283.99 million gallons and Tyam Intermediate 143.90 million gallons.

There has been an increase in consumption of roughly two gallons per head per day. This is shown by the fact that the amount of water consumed during April amounted to 215.29 million gallons by an estimated population of 411,060, giving the amount per head per day as 17.4 gallons, whereas last year the figures were consumption, 183.85 million gallons estimated population 400,740, consumption per head per day 15.3 gallons.

The services to houses in the rider main districts were disconnected and a supply was given by public street fountains only up to the 16th and an intermittent supply in all rider main districts from 17th to 30th April, 1926. There has been an intermittent supply in all rider main districts West of Garden Road and a full supply in all rider main districts East of Garden Road during April of this year.

The 253.93 million gallons in storage in Kowloon is divided between the Kowloon Reservoir with 191.50 million gallons, the Shek Lai Pui reservoir with 31.48 million and the reception reservoir with 30.95 million gallons. The consumption in Kowloon has increased considerably. It is given as 81.36 million gallons for April of 1927, which, for an estimated population of 159,320, works out at 17 gallons per head per day. In April of last year 52.78 million gallons were consumed by an estimated population of 154,780, giving the consumption per head per day as 11.4 million gallons. Whereas this year there has been a full supply in all districts, last year there was a restricted supply in all districts from April 13th.

The total rainfall up to April 30th is given as 16.32 inches as against 24.62 inches last year.

BANKRUPTCY COURT.

TWO DEBTORS ABSCOND: WARRANTS ISSUED.

In the Bankruptcy Court on Saturday morning, Mr. Justice Wood issued two warrants for the apprehension of two debtors who had failed to appear in Court for public examination.

In the case of Wan Tit-yung, trading as the Foo Wo firm, Mr. Agassiz (Official Receiver), said that the debtor had no intention of attending court. He had called on the Official Receiver and had been warned to appear. Allegations were made against him to the effect that there was some questionable conduct regarding certain money matters.

As stated His Lordship issued a warrant for the man's arrest.

Pang Lok-chen, for whose arrest a warrant was issued, was examined and was then informed that he would be required to attend at a subsequent date. The man was a partner of the Chik Wah Company.

Late Master's Debts.

Mr. J. A. Gordon Leask applied for the administration in bankruptcy of the estate of the late John Melville Anderson, master mariner.

It was said that the deceased had sued the Man Wing Steamship Company for wages, but had lost his claim. The defendants were given judgment in respect of \$1,590. The plaintiff had died at sea subsequently.

The application was granted.

Partners Abscond.

A receiving order was granted to Mr. C. A. S. Russ (for the petitioning creditor) in respect of the Hang Fung firm, the reason for the bankruptcy proceedings being, according to the evidence, the alleged absconding of two of the partners with \$95,000. There were, however, substantial assets, it was claimed, in the rice in the godowns, book debts, goodwill, etc.

Official Notices.

It is notified in the current Gazette that a third and final dividend of \$27 per cent. has been declared in the matter of Fred Northington, Engineer, of Whitfield, Hongkong, this making a total of 100 per cent.

A first dividend is intended to be declared in the matter of Chan Shu-tsun, of No. 68, Des Voeux Road Central, adjudicated bankrupt on November 14, 1925.

GOVERNMENT

CHEATED.

AMAZING STATEMENT BY COOLIE FOREMAN.

In bringing an action against a military contractor before Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy on Saturday for the recovery of \$1.90 representing a day's pay for himself and two other coolies, a foreman employed on certain jobs on Stonecutters Island for the Military Authorities accused the defendant of cheating the Government and during the proceedings frankly admitted that he himself had previously been involved in defrauding the military.

The complainant in evidence stated that he was in charge of twenty coolies of whom he introduced two, while eighteen were engaged by the accused. On April 20, the accused spoke of having the coolies taken to Stonecutters for certain work, suggesting that only eighteen of the twenty be taken. He explained that the new soldiers were "stupid people" and would never find out that there were two coolies short. They would sign the pay order for twenty.

The complainant objected to the suggestion, although it was a common practice. The accused told witness that he was "no good if he could not cheat the Government." His Worship: What do you mean by saying it is a common practice? Complainant: I have done it before.

Was Found Out.

Mr. Lindsell: Oh! You are very frank about it! Why should you object this time, then?—Because I was not successful the last time. So the stupid Military Authorities, as you say, found you out?—Yes.

Proceeding, witness said that all the coolies were issued coupons and instructed to await the launch the following day at 7 a.m. Complainant turned up together with the two men he had engaged and was very much surprised on finding that another foreman had been engaged in his place. The new man informed the complainant that he and his two clansmen would not be needed.

On enquiring from the accused the complainant was told that he was no good to him if he could not take two men less.

Corroborative evidence was given by the two coolies, after which the accused went into the box. He said that what the complainant had said with reference to cheating the Government was a pack of lies. Complainant was not a regular foreman but merely an odd job man. He had not been engaged to take charge of the coolies on that particular job.

Two coolies failed to turn up and casual men went in their places. As to the coupons held by complainants witness added that the coupons merely showed that the men were engaged for the gang. At the end of a day's work the coupons were exchanged for pay chits. Under the contract, he (accused) received from the Military Authorities, 53 cents per coolie for a whole day's work and 40 cents per man for a half day's work. He paid the coolies 45 and 30 cents, respectively, so that he had very little profit for himself, and he would be a bankrupt if he had to pay every man whether he worked or not. It was unreasonable to try to get payment on the coupons that the coolies held.

Mr. Lindsell: You say that they deliberately absented themselves and then brought this claim against you?—Yes.

How can they dare to bring a false claim against you?—They thought those coupons were evidence in their favour.

The new foreman was called and he denied that he sent the complainant's friends away. He did not even see them on the wharf.

The case was adjourned till next Saturday.

FISHING BOAT
PIRATED.

TWO MEN KIDNAPPED AND FISH STOLEN.

On Saturday morning a Chinese fisherman, owner of the fishing boat No. 1103 told the Police in Au tau village, New Territory that, in the afternoon of the 3rd inst., he was on a trip to Sumchun sailing near the mouth of the Sumchun River he took shelter there because of the weather.

Suddenly a junk with a white sail was seen approaching him from the south side of the river. This turned out to be a pirate boat. Six pirates holding guns jumped immediately to his boat, and robbed him of \$240 worth of fish and some clothes. The total estimated loss being \$290. Two men were kidnapped. The pirates made good their escape.

LOCAL TRADE.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CHINESE CHAMBER.

In the annual report of the Chinese Chamber of Commerce, Mr. Ip Lan-chuen, the Chairman of the Chamber, states that since the General Strike in 1925 trade in Hongkong was at a standstill for 15 months. Though communication with Canton was at last restored in the middle of October, 1926, business in Hongkong seemed to be no better, because of the many bandits and pirates in many places in China, which made it almost impossible for merchants here to send goods there.

The thousand and one restrictions that were imposed upon the merchants by the labour unions, together with the different strikes at Canton, explained the increase in the cost of living and the depression of trade. The many taxes, newly imposed by the Cantonese Government, on almost all kinds of merchandise, had also an indirect effect upon business in the Colony.

Sugar.

More business was done during the first six months, 1926. The rise in sterling explained the increase in the price of sugar about October. Some Chinese sugar merchants who took advantage of the exchange which scored more than a million dollars.

On the whole, despite the bad times in China, the sugar merchants managed to do a good deal of business in the year.

Until very recently most of the Philippine and Java sugar was exported from here to Ling Bow and Shanghai, two of the biggest sugar markets in the north; but now sugar is shipped straight from the Philippines and Java to the above mentioned places. To the sugar merchants here this will mean the losing of two customers.

For 1927, the outlook of the sugar market is optimistic.

Rice.

Since the inauguration of the General Strike in 1925 rice has been exported straight from Siam and Annam to Canton. This meant that the rice merchants in the Colony lost thirty per cent. of their usual business in 1926.

The outlook was better when communication with Canton was at last normal on 10th October, 1926. On the whole rice merchants could not be said to have done very usual business in the whole year.

During the spring of this year 1927 with the many orders that were received from the various places of China and with the decrease of taxation in Japan, prospects seem much brighter. Rice merchants expect to do a good deal of business in 1927.

Piece Goods.

Foreign piece goods shipped from here to interior parts of China annually amount to \$30,000,000. The piece goods business was greatly hindered by the General Strike in 1925. The outlook seemed to be not much better at the end of the year 1926, for the many restrictions imposed upon the foreign piece good sellers in Canton, and other places in China, made it almost impossible for the Chinese merchants to sell their goods.

Local piece goods sellers managed to make some money on Japanese cotton goods in 1926. Recently about 70 per cent. of the cotton goods sold here came from Japan, for her goods are cheap and the colours attractive; but, on the other hand, her flannel goods are not comparable to those of Europe and America.

It is forecasted that, in the near future, most of the cotton piece goods business in Hongkong will be taken over by the Japanese.

INTERNATIONAL LAW.

AMERICAN LEAGUE OF NATIONS' IDEA.

Rio de Janeiro, May 8. Speaking at the largely attended Pan-American International Law Congress, Mr. Brown Scott (United States) announced his intention of bringing forward a proposal to submit to an international arbitration tribunal any disputes arising among the American nations.

He added that he spoke in the name of the United States Government, which was desirous that all solutions of problems by force should be abolished throughout the continent and the independence and sovereignty of all American states assured.—Reuter's American Service.

AUSTRALIA'S CAPITAL.

FEDERAL PARLIAMENT TO BE OPENED TO-DAY.

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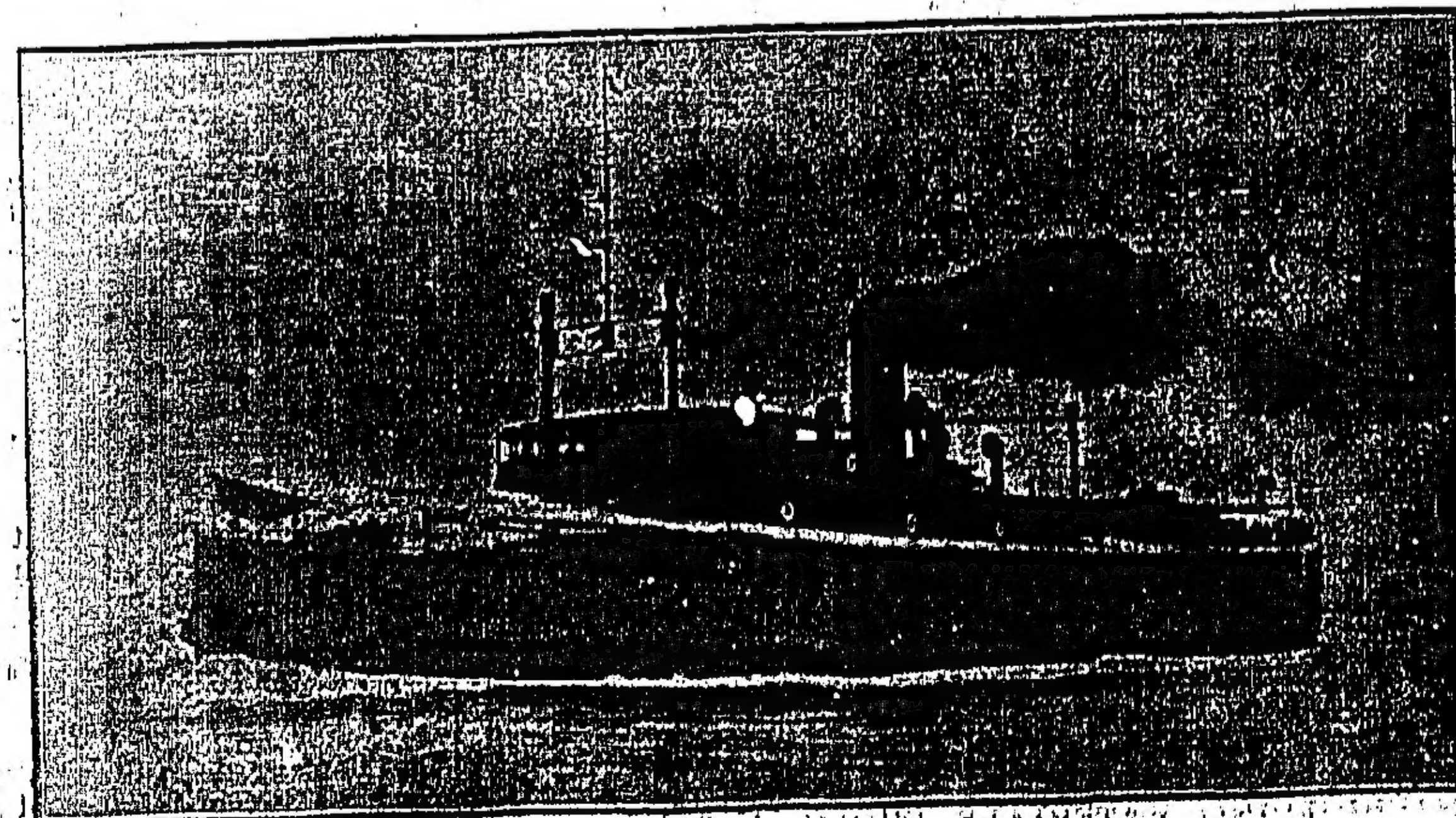
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FATHER'S MONEY.

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August 2nd, 1905, and were respectively the 14th and 16th sons of Lo Kau.

Both had spent some time in Hongkong and had been partly educated at St. Stephen's College.

Turning to the defence in the pleadings, Mr. Potter pointed out that the dates of birth he had given were not admitted, and in their declaration the defence went even further by saying that the plaintiffs were, at all material times, 21 years of age. "Where they got that information from," commented Mr. Potter, "it would be interesting to hear, but it is not true."

Continuing Mr. Potter said he would call evidence which, he thought would leave no doubt in His Lordship's mind that the plaintiffs were born on the dates he had given.

Sons Dissatisfied.

Mr. Potter went on to speak of dissatisfaction arising among the sons with regard to the property. He understood the Macao property had been dealt with, and the position taken by the eldest son was that there was no Hongkong property. However, rightly or wrongly, a number of the brothers thought that a great deal of the property was really their father's, and that they should have a share of it. As a result, about 1921 a society called the "Yuk Nok Estate Society" was formed, the name of which he understood was an alias of Lo Kau. Certain property was handed over to the society, the income from which was divided among the sons of Lo Kau. The eldest brothers were directors and managers of the society. Payment of \$100 per month from the funds of the society were made to each of the sons or descendants of Lo Kau.

There was still dissatisfaction, however, and on February 18th, 1924, a settlement was brought into existence, in which it appeared that the trustees had the power to distribute to beneficiaries, whether they were 21 or not. The position adopted by the eldest brother with regard to that settlement was that it was purely a voluntary one, and was for the purpose of ending family dissent.

Solicitors Consulted.

Still the brothers were not satisfied, and a firm of solicitors were consulted with the result that an action in Original Jurisdiction was brought in 1924. One of the four plaintiffs was the first plaintiff in the present action, and on the Original Jurisdiction writ he sued as an infant by his next friend.

Mr. Potter added that because he sued as an infant then, he would not suggest that that proved he was an infant in February, 1925, but it did prove that he did not come to Hongkong with the intention of concealing his age from anyone.

Turning to the question of fraud, which Mr. Potter said had been alleged against them, he was going to establish that they had not committed fraud, and his submission would be that it was wholly irrelevant.

Referring to letters, which Mr. Potter said contained the allegations, he said they merely alleged that by reason of the infants signing certain documents in which they were not represented as infants, they suggested that they were of age, and that was fraud. He would submit that an infant could not be expected to understand such documents unless they were explained, and he said the documents the infants signed were not even read over to them.

Interpreters Criticised.

He then referred to two interpreters, T. L. Sung, formerly at the Central Magistracy, later in a solicitor's office and now dead, and Leung Wing-cheung, solicitor's interpreter. He said it appeared that Sung had agreed to help the brothers, if they would pay him 10 per cent of the amount recovered, and Sung later brought in Leung Wing-cheung who agreed to help for five per cent. He also referred to statements made by Sung in which he affirmed the infants were of age.

Later the brothers again saw Sung and Leung, and six of them signed a promissory note for \$8,000 each to terminate the agreement which they had entered into which they agreed to help for a percentage. The notes were signed.

The case is proceeding.

The Baronne de la Grange, who earned the title of "Mother of the British Army in France" for her devotion to the troops in Flanders after her home, the Chateau de la Motte, near Hazebrouck, was recovered from the Germans, was the guest of the British Legion at Hull recently. She is helping in an effort to erect a memorial in Oppy Wood, where the Hull Brigade suffered 2,000 casualties on May 8, 1917.

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GRAVE THREAT TO HANKOW.

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NEW HANKOW TONE.

Conciliating Foreigners.

Hankow, April 28. The "Nationalist" Government yesterday issued a provisional ordinance with reference to a new organization to be called the "Wu-Han Peace Preservation Committee," indicating a definite plan on the part of the Government for the administration of justice and the preservation of peace, all of which the "Nationalist" Government has repeatedly pledged itself to foreigners to enforce.

This Peace Preservation Committee is to deal with revolutionary affairs. Article I provides that the Committee is to control anti-revolutionary activities, but in reality, it seems that, by this Ordinance, the Government intends strictly to control reckless and dissolute movements against foreigners and to treat such movements as anti-revolutionary acts.

Persons who oppose the Government's foreign policy and disturb the public peace are to be dealt with according to the regulatory acts and under the "Revolutionary Military Criminal Law," and are liable to capital punishment.

Posters Removed.

A tour of the native city revealed that the city was very quiet and almost all posters had been moved. Chinese police constables were seen removing anti-foreign posters from walls of buildings.

A large number of coolies crowded on to the N. K. K. hulk early in the morning and scrambled for jobs. This kept the blue-jackets from the destroyer Urakaze, who happened to be guarding the hulk, very busy with controlling the crowd.

Of late propaganda has begun to be carried on among Chinese here advocating that the First Special District at Hankow be handed over to Japan, the former British Concession to Britain, and the ex-Russian Concession to America, thereby building up a big International Settlement in Hankow, while posters bearing the words "Resume business, foreigners!" "Factories should be re-opened without delay," etc., are seen here and there.

A Pro-Chiang Party.

It is even reported that at an important meeting of 73 leaders of the "Nationalist" Government, including Comrade Borodin, which was held on the 23rd instant, some of the leaders declared that it was wrong to indulge in internal strife and to exclude General Chiang Kai-shek, the highest commander of the Northern expeditionary forces, at a time when the Nationalist Government was facing a big crisis. They then asked those who were in favour of General Chiang Kai-shek to stand up, which resulted in 48 persons standing up.

The attitude of the Communists in the Wu-Han District towards foreigners has become decidedly milder of late, and no outcry against Imperialism is now heard. Indeed, the Communists have actually launched a new kind of propaganda, saying, "Though we are opposed to Imperialism, yet, if we are too uproot Imperialism we must resort to proper measures. We should not give rise to troubles against foreigners, but be long-suffering and prudent."

Labour Commandments.

In the meantime, the General Labour Union has issued the following regulations regarding the control of labourers:

No persons are permitted to wage war upon foreigners. Swindling of persons is prohibited, especially of foreigners.

All acts of theft are prohibited, especially robbing foreigners of their property.

MOSCOW'S POLICY.

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It is not only China's sole means of salvation, but also the way to a new world.

The Will of Peter the Great produced much trouble and the Will of Dr. Sun, though a better one, seems in the way to produce more. If the Nanking Incident is a sample of what the new world is like, it speaks nothing good for the future. Viscount Grey is reported as saying, "The next great war will come in the Pacific."

Perhaps the prophet Joel gave the proper call for the day. "Proclaim ye this among the nations; prepare war; stir up the mighty men; let all the men of war draw near, let them come up. Beat your plowshares into swords, and your pruning-hooks into spears: let the weak say, I am strong. Haste ye, and come, all ye nations round about, and gather yourselves together; thither cause Thy mighty ones to come down, O Jehovah. Let the nations bestir themselves, and come up to the valley of Jehoshaphat; for there will I sit to judge all the nations round about. Put ye in the sickle; for the harvest is ripe; come, tread ye; for the wine-press is full, the vats overflow; for their wickedness is great."

U. B. Ys.

The local weather forecast issued by the Royal Observatory, for the period ending at noon tomorrow, is: E. winds, fresh; overcast, rain.

In opposing a Bill to legalise betting introduced into the House of Commons last evening by Mr. Dickey (C. Penrith), Lady Astor (C. Plymouth), asked members to "take no notice of the so-called sportsmen of the country who are up against the moral conscience of the great mass of the people."

"Have you ever given a tip?" asked Sir H. Page Croft (C. Bourne-mouth), and members with the recollection of a certain statement by Lady Astor before last year's Derby roared with laughter. Lady Astor reddened. "It is not a thing to be funny about," she retorted curtly. Leave to introduce the Bill was refused by 143 to 44.

No persons are permitted to quarrel with foreigners.

No persons are permitted to detain goods of Chinese or of foreigners.

No persons are permitted to invade residences, or offices, or shops of foreigners and to create disturbances.

No persons are permitted to put up placards against foreigners.

WEIHAIWEI BRITISH.

No Unconditional Return.

A correspondent of the N. C. Daily News, writing from Weihaiwei, states:

According to Kuo Wen, a Chinese agency, "the British Government has agreed to return Weihaiwei to China unconditionally. Mr. R. F. Johnston is said to have been named British delegate to handle the negotiations in this connexion with China." I am authorized to contradict this statement as being absolutely untrue. In fact, the new appointment should be regarded as a matter of ordinary service routine, essentially automatic. It is noteworthy that, since Mr. Johnston's appointment to Weihaiwei and subsequent to the Nanking outrage, his Honour has been gazetted full Commissioner. This promotion, of course, is recognition by London of important services rendered, but it is not unreasonable to suppose that the occurrence is also one of several straws that show which way the wind is blowing.

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